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Many valuable plants suffer for the want of a little Leaf Mold in the soil; and as not one person in one hundred has opportunity to procure good Leaf Mold, we have collected a good lot which we have prepared for use, and offer very low, for the benefit of our customers. We have mixed with it a certain amount of bone dust and other fertilizing material, which makes it a valuable article for mixing with potting soil. In mixing, use not over one-quarter Leaf Mold. We furnish it perfectly dry, and being very light, a pound will go quite a ways. Per pound, 35 cents; 2 pounds, 60 cents; post-paid. By express, 5 pounds, 75 cents; 10 pounds, \$1.25.



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OUR FALL CATALOGUE FOR 1893.

Our Illustrated Catalogue of Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, Crocus, Scillas, Freesias, Crown Imperials, Snowdrops, Alliums, and all hardy Bulbs and Plants, for fall planting and winter blooming, will be sent to our customers the first of September. It will also be sent free to all others who apply. We make a speciality of these choice Bulbs, which are so grand for winter and early spring blooming, and yearly import from Holland and France large quantities of the choicest grades. Our customers have found our fall bulbs to be of such superior quality that the demand for them has grown with us until now we do nearly or quite as much retail catalogue trade in them as all the rest of the country combined. Do not fail to see our complete catalogue of Fall Bulbs. Address all orders and other communications to

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JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, Queens Co., N. Y.

THE past year has been a prosperous one to us, and so far as we can learn it has been to our patrons. The year has brought us 150,000 new customers, and this is the very best proof that it has been prosperous and that our goods have given satisfaction. More than this, we are glad to notice that our customers have been universally successful in their attempts to cultivate flowers, plants and gardens. This is to us very gratifying. We never like to hear of our customers failing with anything they undertake, and it is our constant study to not only supply better seeds, bulbs and plants than can be had elsewhere, but to teach people how to grow them successfully. One is as important as the other,—both go together,—and no dealer can be successful who overlooks either. Our seeds, bulbs and plants now have an established reputation the world over. They are known to be the best. This fact being recognized, our efforts are devoted largely to teaching people how to grow them to the best advantage. With this object in view, we publish a monthly journal, *THE MAYFLOWER*, which is devoted entirely to horticulture. Each issue contains two beautiful colored plates and 32 pages of reading matter, with illustrations. It is the leading horticultural publication in the world, having over 300,000 subscribers. We offer it so cheap that all can afford it and all should have it. We hope that each and every one of our customers who has not already done so will subscribe for it. We also issue, at small cost, two valuable little books (see notice on second page of cover). "Popular Bulbs and Their Culture" and "Beautiful Home Surroundings." These books are worth their weight in gold, so thorough, valuable and practical is the information which they contain. With these two books and *THE MAYFLOWER*, together with the information to be had in this catalogue, one may consider one's self well equipped for success. It encourages and helps us to know that our customers succeed, for we take a warm personal interest in each one. The people who love and cultivate flowers are the very cream of society,—the noblest, most generous, truest, and most useful. We are proud to have the confidence and esteem of half a million of these people, and you may be sure that we shall try to merit and retain it.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.

What We Do.

Free by Mail.—We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE BY MAIL, at the prices named in this Catalogue. This brings them to your very door without trouble or expense.

By Express.—If a package is ordered to go by express, we do not pay the charges; but somewhat larger plants, shrubs and fruits can be sent in this way, and we always add extra ones, enough to more than pay the cost. All the large express companies, by special arrangement, carry our goods at very low rates.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again. We also guarantee everything true to name.

We Pack all plants carefully in strong wooden boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest parts of the country.

We Fill all orders as soon as received, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it, booked for shipping at a later date, should state the fact distinctly.

To Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, most of the countries of South and Central America, and the West India Islands, we can send goods in large parcels by mail, post-paid. We can ship to other foreign countries by mail only in 8 or 12 ounce packages.

England, Ireland and Scotland.—We have so many customers in Great Britain that we, at frequent intervals, fill their orders and ship the parcels in bulk to our agent in Liverpool, from which point they are forwarded to their destination by rail or parcel post. This system is also carried out in Australia and New Zealand.

Discounts.—We make the following discount to those who will get up a club or order largely for their own use. Considering our very low prices, we think them very liberal. Please notice that these discounts cover everything offered in this Catalogue, and not merely seeds by the packet:

Those sending \$2.00 can select articles amounting to	\$2.20
" 4.00	4.50
" 6.00	7.00
" 10.00	12.00
" 25.00	30.00
" 50.00	62.00
" 100.00	125.00

We advise the formation of large clubs, and the above discount will certainly pay any one for some trouble in that direction. See also our splendid premiums to *Mayflower* clubs on colored plate.

What Buyers Should Do.

Forward Money with the order, and at our risk, when sent by post-office money order on Floral Park, or postal note; greenbacks, or gold or silver coin, by registered letter, bank draft or Express Company's money order. The money orders issued by nearly all Express Companies are cheap, safe, and convenient, in fact they are the very best form of remittance, and should be used when convenient.

Stamps.—Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods if it can be avoided. Letters often get damp in transit, causing stamps when enclosed to stick together, and to the order, frequently resulting in the destruction of both. We lose over one thousand dollars every season on stamps sent us in letters. Hereafter we shall return such as come in bad order, and we must deny discounts and extras to orders which are paid for in stamps.

Silver or Gold coin when sent in letters should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper or cloth to prevent their breaking through the envelope, which is frequently the case when enclosed loose.

Be Sure to write your name and address plainly. We have on our hands hundreds of orders of last year without names, others without post-office or state, and some with the name or post-office written in such a careless and illegible manner that it is impossible to read them. Keep a correct copy of your order, that you may know when the package arrives if all is correct, as people often forget what they ordered, and complain without cause.

Do Not order articles which are not offered in this Catalogue, and write your order plainly and distinctly by itself, and not mixed up with anything else you may wish to say.

Those Who Send a neat, plainly written order, will be sure to have it filled correctly and with dispatch, and will also receive some valuable "extras." Always carry out the price of each article, and, after adding the amounts together, and deducting the discount, remit the exact sum.

Order Early. We strive to fill all orders within a day or two after they reach us, but this is frequently made impossible by a great rush of business about planting time. Do not wait until you need your seeds and bulbs before ordering. Anticipate planting time by getting your order in early.

Important.—It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent, and the amount of money enclosed and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter, and fill the duplicate order with dispatch. No inquiries will receive attention which do not contain duplicate, etc., as above mentioned.

A REVIEW OF THIS CATALOGUE.

The edition of this catalogue, which is sent to our customers all over the world, is 500,000 copies, costing more than \$109,000. This cost is at least three times greater than that of any other seed catalogue issued in the world.

Covers and Colored Plates.—It is a fact which none will dispute that the covers and colored plates of this catalogue are the finest ever made for a similar work. On the back page of cover is represented two of the most remarkable new roses of this generation, and which will be found fully described on the inside page of the same cover, while on the second cover page are offered many articles of value to the floriculturist,—Excelsior Fertilizer, Markine, Potting Soil, and two most valuable little books, "Beautiful Home Surroundings" and "Popular Bulbs and their Culture." Of the seven colored plates, the first shows a collection of Chrysanthemums, of which we have grown a quantity of seed that we may give a packet free to each customer of this season. Another plate represents the beautiful new Begonia Vernon, which blooms so quickly and profusely from seed. Another represents a collection of the charming Mexican Primrose, which is one of the most beautiful and popular plants of the day. The *Mayflower* Premium is illustrated on another plate. This should be studied well, that you may see what the inducements are for you to get up a Club for this charming monthly Magazine, which contains two beautiful colored plates each month. Everybody will subscribe for it on having the facts presented to them. The great Columbian Novelty, *Gladiolus Childsi*, is represented on another plate, as well as it can be done on so little a space. To do it justice full spikes of bloom must be shown, and this we have done on an elegant large stipple lithograph, which is the finest production in floral art we have ever seen. We supply it free to anyone who will send 10 cents to pay for postage and packing. *Gladiolus Childsi* is the greatest floral novelty of this generation. Another colored plate represents our Columbian collection of new perpetual-blooming Carnations. They surpass anything in the way of Carnations ever before seen. On the seventh plate we represent, again, the Wineberry, the greatest fruit novelty of the age, and which we are now able to offer at low rates.

Special Collections, General Instructions, Facts about our Establishment, Press Extracts, etc., bring us to page 8, where you will find offered a new Clematis of great beauty and value. On the next page, you will notice, is offered our Surprise Collection. This collection has become a feature of our business, and all of our customers should have one.

Rare Novelties in Flower and Vegetable Seeds.—If there is one thing for which our Catalogue is famous, it is for the great number of rare Novelties which we yearly introduce. The list this year is one of the best we have ever presented, and we call special attention to *Gaillardia Perfection*, *Tulip Poppy*, *Eckford's Sweet Peas*, *Centrosema*, *Giant Petunia*, *Cleome alba*, *bush Lima Beans*, *Honey Dew Sweet Corn*, *Giant Purple Cauliflowers*, etc. All Novelties we offer are such as we have carefully tested. Many of them we have grown for several years and can recommend them. The reason why our Novelties always take so well is because we are careful to offer none but good ones.

Specialties and Novelties in Plants and Bulbs.—This department commences on page 20 and continues to page 40. It is the part of our Catalogue which is the most eagerly read by our customers for they, like ourselves, are enthusiastic lovers of rare plants and bulbs. The list we present this year will surely be a delight to those who want something new, curious, valuable, or especially cheap. The yellow and Little Gem *Callas* are novelties of great merit. The same may be said of *Achillea Grandiflora* and *Dwarf Ever-bearing Fig*. Water plants have become well known and exceedingly popular, and the varieties we offer are the best for general culture. Do not overlook *Fuchsia*, *Trailing Queen*, the varieties of *Lilium Auratum*, *Dahlia*, *Belle of Springfield*, *Olea Fragrans*, or the shrubs offered on page 32. The beautiful succulent plants offered on page 30 are also very desirable. Our list of *Cannas* and *Chrysanthemums* are the very choicest of all varieties, and our friends will find it very interesting growing the *Tropical Fruits* on page 40.

Our General List of Flower Seeds commences on page 41. Under the head of the first division, "Annuals which Flower the First Season," will be found the leading and well-known garden favorites. The larger half of most every garden is made up from Annuals; and realizing their great popularity and importance it has been our daily study since we entered the seed business to improve, by careful cultivation the various strains; and there is no doubt but that we offer the choicest stocks of most Annuals to be found in the country. Our *Asters*, *Balsams*, *Dianthus*, *Mignonette*, *Portulaca*, *Godetia*, *Nasturtium*, *Poppies*, *Pansies*, *Petunias*, *Phlox*, *Stocks*, *Verbenas*, *Zinnias*, etc., are the finest in the country. Among them we introduced many of the finest strains; notably our grand *Balsams*, *Poppies*, *Zinnias*, and the Imperial German and Giant *Excelsior Pansies*, "Climbers," "Plants with Fragrant Foliage," "Everlasting Flowers," "Evening Bloomers," "Seed for Greenhouse and Window Culture," and "Hardy Perennials," are all headings for various classes of flower seeds. Under these headings you

will find the best sorts, and those worthy of general cultivation. Our list of seeds for greenhouse and window culture is particularly fine. If you will study it carefully you will find there are many of these plants you can get very cheaply by growing them from seed.

Vegetable Seeds.—We take special pride in supplying a grade of Vegetable Seeds, for family garden, which will far surpass the usual commercial grades. We do not handle these seeds in such great variety of sorts as some dealers do, therefore we are much better able to get, grow and sell strains of superior excellence. We make it a point to offer only the best varieties so that customers may not be confused and misled by a large list of sorts, but can rely upon those we offer as being the best in all respects.

Agricultural Seeds.—The progressive farmer is always looking for something new and valuable in the line of farm seeds. We can surely meet his wants in this respect with the new Golden Superb Corn, Winter Turf Oats, Wheat, Rye, etc.

Summer Flowering Bulbs. *Gladiolus*, *Amaryllis*, *Tube-Roses*, etc., are offered here in endless quantities. Of the first named, our stock is enormous, covering 90 acres, closely planted. This immense sheet of bloom is in full view on the railroad at Floral Park, and as the trains rush along, thousands of passengers are treated to floral display, the equal of which can only be seen at two or three places throughout the length and breadth of the earth. Do not fail to notice our low prices for the choicest *Gladiolus*. Remember that we are the introducers of the *Excelsior Pearl Tuberosa*, *White Tigridia*, *Cooperia*, *Amaryllis Treata*, and have the choicest stocks of *Dahlias* and *Zephyranthes*.

Hardy Bulbs and Plants.—This department commences on page 110, and contains many of the brightest gems of the floral world, as well as the cheapest and most desirable of all garden flowers. We have tried to make this department complete, and offer at extremely low prices the most rare and beautiful hardy plants. These plants should be more universally cultivated, as they require the least care and attention, for when once planted they are good for a lifetime. Do not fail to plant a good lot of the beautiful *Iris Kaempferi*, and *Germanica*, which we offer at such low prices. Notice, also, our list of superb hardy *Lilies*, on page 115.

The Shrub Garden at Floral Park is one of our favorite and most delightful spots. The charms of beautiful shrubbery are appreciated only by those who have seen and enjoyed them. Our efforts to introduce rare shrubs and trees to general cultivation have been so successful that we now offer the most extensive stock, both in variety and quantity, in the country, and at the very lowest prices. We implore our customers to plant a good lot, and you will see that our motives are unselfish when you look at the prices and notice that there cannot be much profit in them to us.

Roses.—Our list of *Roses* occupies four pages—124 to 127. We have started out this year to sell *Roses* at a price which will cause everyone of our customers to plant them largely, for there is no flower which is more generally satisfactory, and every garden should have a good collection. When our friends know that they can get our fine, strong, healthy *Roses* at 10 cents each we feel sure that they will order them freely. This is the price at which we sell all those which are offered on pages 124 and 125. When the selection is left to us we send 15 *Roses* for \$1.00. Tell your friends and neighbors of this remarkable offer and let the orders come freely.

Plants.—Our general list of plants commences on page 125. The *Cactus* which we offer are the very finest varieties for general culture, those which are sure to grow and bloom well, and we offer them at prices so that all can afford to have a good collection of this most curious and beautiful class of plants. Of *Fuchsias*, *Geraniums*, *Begonias*, etc., we offer the very best varieties and at remarkably low prices. This we can afford to do, as we grow and sell plants by the hundreds of thousands, and the variety we offer is the best in cultivation, and the plants are strictly first-class.

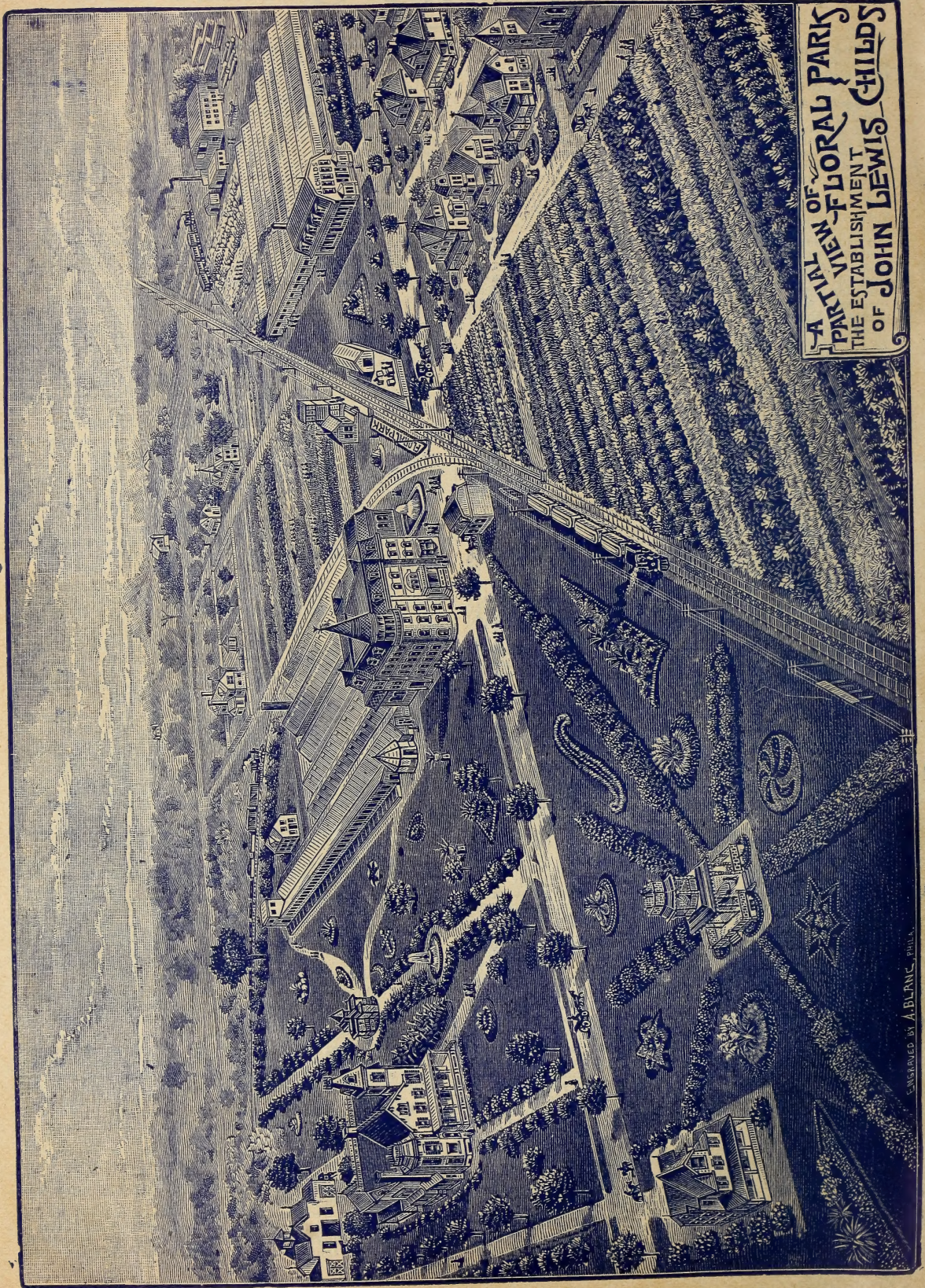
Pot Shrubbery, which follows next, is a new feature, and one which we recommend our customers to study carefully. Do not overlook the Chinese *Hibiscus* or the charming *Otaheite Orange* and *Brugmansia*.

Rare Fruits, in which we do an enormous business, are listed on pages 142 to 156. Here is something which will interest everyone, whether they like flowers or not, for good fruit is something that we all greatly prize. If you can find



a list better suited to the wants of the small planter than ours, we would like to know it. Look at our *Grapes*, our *Strawberries*, our great *Blackberry*, our *Currants*, our grand *Plums*, *Raspberries*, *Apples*, *Dewberries*, *Pears*, etc., and in making up your list do not omit the *Juneberry* or *Downing's Everbearing Mulberry*. We retail more choice fruits than any nursery in the world.

We close by calling your attention to our Trade Mark. It is the ancient Coat-of-Arms of the *Childs* or *Childebert* family, adopted about the year 760. It presents the motto: "Imitare quam Invidere."—Imitate rather than Envy.



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THE MAYFLOWER.

ANNOUNCEMENT
FOR 1893.

The Mayflower is a 32-page (and cover) illustrated monthly publication, devoted to Flowers, Fruits and Gardening in all its branches. It has over 300,000 subscribers, goes to all countries, and is the most valuable and popular publication of the kind in the world. With each issue we send TWO ELEGANT COLORED PLATES, one each of some new Flower and Fruit, making 24 of these beautiful large colored plates, which you get during a year's subscription. Each issue also contains 50 or 60 interesting and instructive articles on Flowers, Fruits and Gardening, many of which are from the most noted cultivators and writers the world over. Each subscriber gets, free of charge, an ELEGANT PREMIUM of 10 SUPERB FLOWERING BULBS and 5 PACKETS CHOICE SEED, as seen on this colored plate.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE: 60 Cents per Year, or 50 Cents per Year, in Clubs of five or more.

Together with the following premium of 10 SPLENDID FLOWERING BULBS and 5 PACKETS CHOICE SEED. (Subscription price, without premium, 40 cents a year.)

One packet *Margaret Carnation*..... See page 10
 " " *Begonia Vernon*..... See colored plate
 " " *Japanese Wineberry*..... See colored plate
 " " *Calliopsis Lanceolata*..... See page 11
 " " *Balsam, Fancy Mixed*..... See page 44

One Bulb, *Gladiolus Childsi, seedling*.. See colored plate
 " " *Hyacinthus Candicans*..... See page 108
 Two " *Oxalis—one pink, one white*..... See page 107
 Six " *Gladiolus—all choice and beautiful colors, each one different*..... See page 97

The above premium of 5 packets of Seed and 10 Bulbs will be sent free to every one who subscribes for THE MAYFLOWER for one year. It makes no difference whether the subscriber is a new one, or an old one, whose subscription has expired, or whether the subscription is received singly, at 60 cents, or in clubs at 50 cents. All will get the premium. This offer holds good until July 1st.

Among our 100 or more contributors, whose articles are constantly appearing, are the following:—

Hon. Henry Gillman, for five years Consul of the United States at Jerusalem, illustrated articles on the "Gardens of King Solomon," the "Garden of Gethsemane," "Gardens of King Herod on Mt. Zion," the "Kings Garden at Jerusalem," "Jaffa," "Flowers which were loved and cherished by our Saviour," and many other finely illustrated articles on Palestine gardens.

E. S. Rand, of Brazil, noted writer and cultivator, and the largest grower of Orchids, and other rare plants in the world, has written twelve interesting and useful articles.

Maj. Johnson, of the Stanley-African Expedition, has sent us articles on the Agricultural pursuits of some of the African tribes.

P. Lancaster, Esq., of India, writes every month on the Flowers and Gardens of India.

Mr. G. Kruyff, of Holland, is writing a series of interesting articles on Dutch Bulbs as seen and cultivated at home.

Mr. E. Whittall, of Asia Minor, writes exclusively for THE MAYFLOWER, regarding the new Bulbs he discovers and names.

Luther Burbank, of California, and **Peter B. Mende**, of Massachusetts, extensive cultivators, and well-known authorities on matters pertaining to Fruit and Fruit Culture. Both will write extensively for THE MAYFLOWER during 1893.

Duchess Lindhurst, of Italy, has written several articles which will soon be published.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is one of our most frequent and valued contributors.

Mr. C. L. Allen, of New York, is leading authority on Floriculture, and has long been a favorite with our readers.

We also have correspondents in various parts of Africa, Australia, South America, England, Holland, Germany, Newfoundland, Alaska, Japan, China, East and West Indies, Hawaii, etc. Our home talent is the very best, and includes names in nearly every state.

Summary. For only 50 cents (in clubs) you get this charming paper for 12 months, with 24 large Colored Plates, two with each paper, and a premium of 10 magnificent Bulbs and 5 packets of Seed. Each paper contains over 50 articles, or about 600 for the year. Is not this cheap enough!—especially when you consider the eminence of our writers.

CLUBS.

Dear Reader: We call your attention to this prospectus and Premium List of our monthly paper, THE MAYFLOWER, and would like you to act as our agent in securing a Club. Sample copies will be sent free, on application; and by showing one to your neighbors, and calling their attention to the above facts, they will nearly all subscribe. As an inducement for you to get up a Club we offer you the following valuable Club Premiums. (If YOU cannot get up a Club, perhaps you know of some one who can.)

Three Mexican Primroses, different colors..... See colored plate
 Five Columbian Carnations, 5 sorts..... See colored plate
 One Calla—Little Gem..... See page 29
 One Clematis Paniculata..... See page 8
 One Olea Fragrans..... See page 32
 One Oenothera—Star of 1891..... See page 34
 One Rose—Childs' Jewel..... See cover
 One Rose—Champion of the World..... See cover

One Surprise Collection..... See page 9
 Thirty Gladiolus—choice seedlings..... See page 100
 One Crinum Ornatum..... See page 106
 Twelve Strawberry Minocals..... See page 142
 Five Raspberry—All Summer..... See page 144
 One Tree Blackberry..... See page 150
 One Idaho Pear..... See page 152

For a Club of five subscribers, at 50 cents each, we will mail the Club raiser, free of charge, any one of the above articles; for 10 subscribers any three of the above articles; and so on, three of the above articles for every 10 subscribers sent, up to 100. One hundred names will entitle the Club raiser to thirty of the above Club Premiums.

\$1,000.00 IN SPECIAL CASH PREMIUMS.

In addition to the above Club Premiums we will, on July 1st, give the following to those who secure the most subscribers up to that time: \$400 to the largest; \$200 to the next largest; \$100 to the next largest; \$50 to the next largest; and to the 25 next largest, \$10 each. Those who compete for these prizes should write us, so it will reach us about July 1st, the exact number of subscribers they have sent in; then, after referring to the orders, and ascertaining that all are correct, we will award and pay the premiums, and publish names of the successful ones.

The *Gladiolus Childsi*, which we give in this premium, is a flowering bulb, but an unbloomed seedling. It is sure to be superb, and may prove to be very valuable indeed. This *Gladiolus* is the great Columbian novelty of 1893. The other six *Gladiolus* are fine sorts, and bulbs which will bloom freely.

The *Oxalis* and *Hyacinthus Candicans* are lovely summer-flowering bulbs. The *Margaret Carnation* and *Begonia Vernon* are new strains of great beauty, which bloom in a short time from sowing of the seed; and the *Balsam* and *Coreopsis Lanceolata* are very beautiful garden flowers. The *Japanese Wineberry* is the greatest fruit novelty of this generation. Seed of it will make strong plants, which will fruit the second summer.

These packets of seed may not contain so large a quantity as those which are sold at regular prices, yet there will be enough for an ordinary garden. The whole premium is worth about a dollar, at regular prices, and we would not be able to give so much to each subscriber, only for the fact that we have grown these articles in enormous quantity for this very purpose. Seeds by the acre, and bulbs by the hundreds of thousands, therefore their cost is small.

All of these articles, and *The Mayflower*, for one year, for only 60 cents (or 50 cents in Clubs), is certainly the greatest offer ever made by any publisher. Premiums will be mailed promptly to each subscriber. In the case of Clubs, however, we shall send all premiums to the Club raiser, to be delivered. Each set will be neatly boxed, ready for delivery. Address,

Sample copies free.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

•MAYFLOWER PREMIUM•

10 BULBS AND 5 PACKETS SEEDS
AS SHOWN HERE.

- 1 Gladiolus Childsi
- 6 " different sorts.
- 1 Hyacinthus Candicans.
- 2 Summer Oxalis
- 1 Packet Margaret Carnation.
- " Begonia Vernon.
- " Japanese Wineberry.
- " Fancy Balsam.
- 1 Calliopsis Lanceolata.





A FEW FACTS CONCERNING OUR PLACE AND BUSINESS.

THE CUT shown on page 4 gives a bird's-eye view of a part of Floral Park. We have two large seed stores, and four sets of greenhouses, distinct from each other, besides about thirty other buildings for packing and drying seeds and bulbs, storage, shops, dwellings, etc., an immense printing establishment, and a large steam lumber mill, which is constantly employed in building up our place, as the increase in our business demands. Floral Park is one vast garden and park, beautifully laid out, and dotted with the cosy homes of those who are connected with our business. It is situated about 12 miles from the cities of New York and Brooklyn, in the richest and most fertile part of Long Island. The L. I. R. R. runs directly through our gardens, and Floral Park station, freight, express, telegraph and post offices are situated directly between our two main buildings, and we are accommodated with 30 trains to and from New York and Brooklyn each day.

OUR BUSINESS is entirely in a select quality of Seeds, Bulbs and Plants, which we grow and ship (mostly by mail) to all parts of the country, and, in fact, all over the world. We have sent live plants successfully through the mails to China, Japan, all parts of Europe, the Sandwich Islands, Australia, and several parts of Africa. We have about 400,000 customers, and in the busy season we receive 7,000 to 10,000 letters, and ship several tons of mail matter each day. More than 200 people are employed, and during the months of March, April and May our establishment is worked to its full capacity, both night and day.

OUR SEED STORES. Our principal store was erected in 1890 and is an immense 3-story and basement structure, built entirely of brick and iron, and is therefore absolutely fire proof. It is the finest seed house in America, and is fitted with every convenience for filling orders promptly and correctly. It is heated by steam and is furnished with gas and water, elevator, etc.

OUR GROUNDS. Besides the nine acres of beautiful park in the immediate vicinity of our seed stores and the railroad station, our grounds extend for a long distance in every direction, bordering on the railroad for a mile and covering an area of nearly 200 acres, all covered with heavy crops of the leading seeds, bulbs, fruits, etc. Our enormous stock of Gladiolus, the largest in the world, will, the coming season, cover 90 solid acres. Hundreds of articles are grown in more or less quantity. During the summer our gardens present a floral display which is not equalled elsewhere on the continent.

OUR GREENHOUSES are in four sets or blocks. They are very large, ranging from 100 to 200 feet in length and 12 to 40 feet in width, and covers several acres. Some are heated by immense steam boilers, others by high pressure hot water. These houses are devoted exclusively to the propagation of plants, and growing them to a proper condition for sending out. Millions of them are produced. We have sold as many as 100,000 of one kind in a season.

THE MAYFLOWER. A large building, separate from all others, is devoted to printing and binding our 32-page monthly paper, **The Mayflower**. The finest presses known are used, and over 250,000 copies are turned out each month and sent to subscribers all over the world. This, the best of all papers on floriculture, costs but 60 cents per year, or 50 cents in clubs of five or more, besides a splendid premium free to each subscriber. Each number is bound, with a fine cover and two colored plates.

OUR FOREIGN TRADE. We ship seeds, bulbs and plants in large quantity to all foreign countries, in many of which we have agencies to distribute the packages, sending to their various destinations, Canada, Newfoundland, England, New Zealand, Australia, etc. Orders can be sent to us from any country in the world, and the buyer can expect to receive the goods in proper time and in good condition.

THIS CATALOGUE has been in preparation since early in the summer. The first edition is 500,000 copies, and other editions will be printed as needed. The magnitude of this work can be realized when we tell you that to print this edition of 500,000 copies for our regular customers requires more than 190 tons of paper, worth, when printed, \$44,000. The covers and colored plates cost over \$30,000 more, and the engravings \$5,000. Add to this the postage of five cents per copy, \$25,000, and we have a grand total of \$109,000 as the cost of this book, which is given to our customers, to say nothing of the expense of addressing and mailing them, 2,500 large canvas mail sacks full.

HOW IT IS DONE. 1st.—We strive to supply the very best grade of goods possible, in freshness, vigor, purity, and highly perfected qualities in every respect. 2d.—To introduce the most novelties of sterling merit. 3d.—To fill all orders promptly, correctly, and to pack in the best manner for journeys to any part of the world. 4th.—To give entire satisfaction in every respect to every one who sends us an order, that we may merit a continuance of their patronage, and recommendations to their friends and neighbors, for this is the only way it can be secured. We assure you, friends, it is our strict adherence to the above rules that has placed our house ahead of all others.

Press Comments on Floral Park.

During the past year there has come to our notice several thousand articles which have appeared in various papers throughout the country, commenting upon Floral Park and our business, of which the following are extracts. Space does not allow us to publish any of these articles in full (many of which are from one to three columns in length), or extracts from the tenth part of them. But the following selection covers the entire country, and includes nearly every State and Territory in the Union:

From *The Franklin Republican*, Franklin, Ind., Feb. 19, 1892: "This is the home and establishment of John Lewis Childs, the one who has sent more happiness into the homes of this and other countries, probably, than any other individual in America. There is scarcely a country upon the globe where civilized man dwells to-day in which some one has not been the recipient of some of these home adornments."

From *The Webster Signal*, Minden, La., April 8, 1892: "I advise and beg to insist that every one who wishes to purchase seed, bulbs or flowers of any kind will not buy elsewhere until they have procured John Lewis Childs' Floral Catalogues. You will get from him the best grade of goods possible, the greatest novelties, and your orders will be filled correctly and promptly, and packed in the best manner for shipping. I speak from experience; I have been dealing with them and am delighted with my flowers."

From *The Independent*, Lincoln, N. M., April 25, 1892: "That Mr. Childs would succeed in his chosen vocation was from the first, for many reasons, a foregone conclusion. He has always made the interests of his customers his own. Instead of giving as little as possible for a dollar he has given more than his customers had a right to expect."

From *The Florida Agriculturist*, Deland, Fla., March 9, 1892: "It is hardly necessary to add that so enormous a business as Mr. Childs' could be built up only by furnishing a strictly high grade of goods and treating customers in such a manner as to convert them into constant patrons."

From *The Carey Times*, Carey, Ohio, April 28, 1892: "To know a class we must study individual cases, and I select the business of Mr. John Lewis Childs, of Floral Park, N. Y., as being most highly typical in its American characteristics from its simple inception only eighteen years ago to its enormous proportions of to-day."

From *The Union and Advertiser*, Rochester, N. Y., April 9, 1892: "Well may he feel encouraged in his efforts to make people happier through the refining influence of flowers, when he daily reads the expressions of appreciation in the countless testimonials which reach him from every quarter of the globe, a deserving tribute to his grand enterprise and wondrous energy. Long may he live to dispense the bounties of Floral Park."

From *The Ashland Daily News*, Ashland, Ky., April 21, 1892: "This firm has gained the van of enterprise by honest dealing in the best grade of plants, and packing in the safest manner possible."

From *The Puyallup Commerce*, Puyallup, Wash., April 15: "Mr. Childs is one of the most prominent and reliable seedsmen in the United States, and sends out orders to customers in all parts of the world. Having such an immense trade, it is possible for him to make his prices reasonable and within the reach of all, and at the same time give entire satisfaction."

From *The Andover News*, Andover, N. Y., April 27: "In these days of fake tree peddlers and bogus seed houses, it is a pleasure to do business with John Lewis Childs, of Floral Park, N. Y., who will send you just what you order, guaranteeing it to reach you in good condition, true to name, or the order will be refilled free of charge."

From *The Farmers' Advocate*, Charleston, W. Va., March 11: "We would urge everyone who visits New York to pay Mr. Childs a special visit. Thousands do so annually and are more than pleased."

From *The Peoples' Advocate*, Pittsfield, Ill., March 24: "John Lewis Childs, Floral Park, N. Y., has for eighteen years helped to make our homes beautiful; our lives happy. Do not forget the address when you want flower, vegetable or agricultural seed, bulbs, plants, ornamental trees, rare fruits, etc. His beautiful grounds, seed stores and greenhouses send out fresh, healthy, vigorous goods, at the very lowest prices to consumers everywhere."

From *The Peterboro Transcript*, Peterboro, N. H., April 21: "The superior excellence of his seeds and plants, with his generous premiums, cannot but impress one that he conducts his business on strictly honest principles, and that he is worthy of the confidence of his patrons, and they will be more than satisfied and remember him with gratitude."

From *The Lawrence Sentinel*, Lawrence, Mass., April 18: "The largest seed grower and cultivator of plants and rare fruit in the world is Mr. John Lewis Childs, of Floral Park, N. Y."

From *The Poughkeepsie Daily Eagle*, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., April 27, 1892: "This beautiful garden and park are the establishment of the well-known florist, Mr. John Lewis Childs. But no word-painting equals a visit, and no short trips can be planned for the summer where more real beauty will meet the eye, and delightful fragrance greet one, than this little trip to Long Island."

From *The Aberdeen Star*, Aberdeen, S. Dak., March 25, 1892: "The man whose enterprise, taste and skill has brought the rare, the choice, the costly, within the reach of the humblest home, may well be considered a public benefactor. The greenhouses and flower gardens, the acres of roses and lilies, gladioli, etc., at Floral Park are worth a pilgrimage to see."

From *The Marion Pilot*, Marion, Iowa, April 21, 1892: "Not only at home but abroad has the fame of Childs' house extended. The fair dealing and honesty, with strict attention to business, has gained them the first place in the land among florists."

From *The Passaic Daily News*, Passaic, N. J., April 23, 1892: "The aim is to please buyers so thoroughly that they will continue to buy and will advise everyone else to do likewise. Here is the secret of Mr. Childs' grand success."

From *The Independent*, St. Charles, Mich., Feb. 6: "We believe this firm will send more plants and seeds for \$1.00 than can be purchased of any other seedsmen."

From *The Herald*, North Sydney, Canada, March 30, 1892: "To briefly review the extent of his business is ample proof that John Lewis Childs' seeds, plants, etc., must be reliable."

From *The Perrinton Globe*, Perrinton, Mich., April 14: "I have patronized John Lewis Childs, florist, for the last ten years for flowers and seeds of various kinds, and found them as good as he represented, and many times very much better. Such rare specimens I have seen from no other establishment."

From *The Texas Health Journal*, Dallas, Texas, March, 1892: "Send 60 cents to John Lewis Childs, Floral Park, N. Y., and receive the two roses, 'Mary Washington' and 'Champion of the World,' together with their beautiful Catalogue. We can truthfully say that they furnish a superior grade of stock, and at such reasonable prices, that all who purchase once become permanent customers."

From *The New Milford Advertiser*, New Milford, Pa., April 30: "Mr. Childs tries to give entire satisfaction in every respect to each one that sends an order, and in this way he assures his friends that it is the strict adherence to this rule that has placed his house at the head of all others. I have some plants and shrubs purchased of him that are beautiful, and I would not take many times their cost."

From *The Lassen Mail*, Susanville, Cal., April 14: "You ask if his advice is better than others? I answer yes, and I have reasons for thinking so. First, for twenty-three years I have sent for seeds and plants, dealing with many different firms for their extra novelty packages as a test. They each sent just what they promised, but the quality, quantity and growth of the packages from John Lewis Childs was far the best. He loves his calling, and in a few years has built up a mammoth business."

From *The Martha's Vineyard Herald*, Cottage City, Mass., April 21: "As indicating the remarkable success attending his business, his patrons include many of the royal families of Europe and his plants and seeds are sent into 32 foreign countries, while 300,000 Americans are registered on his mammoth ledgers. Such a result indicates that he is in touch with the wants of the people, and has the genius to know what they need."

From *The Weekly Telephone*, Milton, Wis., April 21: "It was a happy thought that has prompted this enterprise of selling reliable seeds so cheap that all may feel able to share the bounty that will fill our homes with lovely flowers, and our tables with rare fruits and vegetables."

From *The New Sharon Star*, New Sharon, Iowa, March 30: "Too much cannot be said of the grandeur of the work that Mr. Childs is doing for the world, and which was begun eighteen years ago, simply through the love of the cause, without any ambitious desire for the renown and wealth that have accrued as the result of his efforts to brighten and cheer the world. But this reward has been added."

From *The Winchester Leader*, Winchester, Va., April 8: "Richly does he (Childs) deserve the renowned merit that he receives. 'Fortiter, fideiiter, feliciter,' 'Boldly, faithfully, successfully,' does he conduct and carry on his immense trade."

From *The Mt. Morris Index*, Mt. Morris, Ill., Jan. 29: "If we take the wings of the morning and fly to the uttermost parts of the earth there we should find Childs' Catalogue."

From *The Middlesex Mail*, New Brunswick, N. J., Feb. 21: "Mr. Childs is a true lover of flowers, and generous far beyond the wont of the merely mercenary florist, whose principle it is to give as little as possible out of the abundance of his stock. It is with the spirit of sincere sympathy and generous friendship that each order is filled, and filled to overflowing, while every customer goes on his way rejoicing."

From *The Binghamton Daily Republican*, Binghamton, N. Y., March 5: "This firm (Childs) is reliable; their plants and seeds are strong and healthy; they are packed with care; orders are filled promptly and sent all over the world. They do better by their customers than they promise."

From *The Dry Goods Economist*, New York, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1892: "The success of John Lewis Childs has been almost phenomenal, and the keynote of that success may be found in the following assurance, over his own signature: 'We do not want an order unless we can please the sender of it.'"

From *The Peace Press*, Trumansburg, N. Y., Feb. 27, 1892: "From our own experience and from the self-evident character of his Catalogue, persons ordering from the prompt, fully-equipped and extensive establishment of John Lewis Childs can rest assured that their highest wishes and brightest expectations will be realized."

From *The Journal*, Jonesburg, Mo., March 10, 1892: "Any one wishing to purchase anything in the line of vegetables, fruits, or ornamental plants, could do no better than send to Mr. Childs."

From *The Corning Daily Democrat*, Corning, N. Y., March 11, 1892: "It is needless to state that the magnitude and marvelous success of Floral Park and its wonderful capacity has been achieved only by the strictest attention to details, prompt and correct filling of all orders to the entire satisfaction of the thousands of patrons throughout the land."

From *The Arkansas Staats-Zeitung*, Little Rock, Ark., March 5, 1892: "It is impossible to describe the garden of Mr. J. L. Childs. Were one to do so it would sound like a romance. We would refer our readers to his beautiful Catalogue."

From *The Patchogue Advance*, Patchogue, L. I., Nov. 5, 1892: "Public men are often manufactured in these days of newspaper-booming. Yet there are men whose names are public subjects in every household throughout the land that were not made public this way. One of the latter is the builder of Floral Park, Mr. John Lewis Childs. He needs no introduction. Every farmer, mechanic, business man, and all others who are anxious for the welfare of this rapid-growing island, knows Mr. Childs. They know him as a man of integrity, whose every act during the nineteen years of his life spent on Long Island has become a living monumental record in the minds of fair thinking and unprejudiced men."

From *The Preston Times*, Preston, Minn., March 17, 1892: "We desire to draw the attention of the readers of the *Times* to the merits and extensiveness of the firm of John Lewis Childs, Floral Park, N. Y.,—a firm worthy beyond all others of the patronage of lovers of flowers, plants and fruits."

From *The Roseville Independent*, Roseville, Ohio, March 11, 1892: "John Lewis Childs, of Floral Park, N. Y., is the most eminent seedsman in America. His reputation is world-wide; his seed stores are the grandest known, and his grounds a perfect 'Garden of Eden.'"

From *Weber & Co.'s Monthly*, Sacramento, Cal., March, 1892: "We have dealt with Mr. Childs for a number of years and can recommend his flowers and plants. You will be surprised to see how nicely they pack them for long journeys, sending live plants to Japan, Australia, and even into some parts of Africa."

From *The Eldora Weekly Ledger*, Eldora, Iowa, March 17, 1892: "Our firm has their merits, but it is wisdom to secure your entire stock of plants, bulbs and seeds of this most reliable house. Mr. Childs has the largest and finest seed house in America; his whole establishment and grounds are not surpassed by any in the world."

From *The Daily Herald*, Salem, Ohio, March 25, 1892: "The Catalogue is a sample of the business principles of this establishment. It is the desire of the firm to see how MUCH can be given for the \$1.00, not the cold business principle of how LITTLE for the money. By this honest fair-dealing course, and by furnishing only by choice, vigorous, fresh and satisfactory goods in every respect, Mr. Childs has, from a small beginning, developed Floral Park into a magnificent enterprise, with a world-wide reputation."

From *The Tri County News*, Doyleston, Ohio, March 24, 1892: "Mr. Childs' business is a large one and not surpassed by any. He has built up his business by fair dealing and honesty."

From *The Recorder*, Bandon, Oregon, March 18, 1892: "Childs' Great Japanese Wineberry is a fruit with which I am very favorably impressed as being a valuable acquisition to our coast gardens, as it is said to be extra fine for table use, besides being decorative."

From *The Mining Review*, Helena, Mont., March 25, 1892: "In 18 years Mr. Childs has built up a magnificent business by cultivating a large number of the very best varieties of flowers, fruits and vegetables, and by selling the best, not the refuse, at the lowest prices."

From *The Lambertville Beacon*, Lambertville, N. J., March 17, 1892: "I cannot too highly commend to the public generally the perfect management and precision of the business conducted by Mr. John Lewis Childs, of Floral Park, N. Y. His products are of the best and most reliable, being noted for vigor, freshness, purity and highly-perfected qualities in every respect."

From *The Blue Rapids Weekly Motor*, Blue Rapids, Kans., April 1, 1892: "All who intend going to the World's Fair should take in Floral Park on their way, and feast their eyes for a few hours on its beautiful scenery. I am sure it will pay my friends."

From *The Hackettstown Gazette*, Hackettstown, N. J., April 12, 1892: "Mr. Childs is a master of his business and a thorough, upright business man, as his immense trade in seeds and plants proves."

From *The New Milford Gazette*, New Milford, Conn., April 15, 1892: "Among the great men whose names are destined to be immortalized the world over is John Lewis Childs, who is admired by all lovers of floral display, pleasant homes and beautiful adornments. Mr. Childs enjoys the proud distinction of being the owner and proprietor of Floral Park, L. I., the acknowledged paradise of the United States. I may very properly say that the greatest floral display can be found in this park."

From *The Corry Leader*, Corry, Pa., April 9, 1892: "Mr. John Lewis Childs has gained his success in business by honorable and honest dealing. His seeds are sure to germinate, his plants to grow and blossom, sure to give to you the fruition of your labor; his customers find that they are true to name, and generally beyond, and always equal to, your expectations."

From *The Weekly Vidette*, Montesano, Wash., April 29, 1892: "Mr. Childs' establishment is known as the largest of its kind in the world, and has the finest equipment for business, where the strictest attention is given to the wants of each customer."

From *The County Record*, Woodstock, Va., Feb. 12, 1892: "We can testify to the reliability of this firm from several years experience, their seeds being cultivated with the view of attaining the highest mark of perfection and of supplying a first-class trade."

From *The Delaware Republican*, Delhi, N. Y., April 29, 1892: "But why we hear the greatest should Mr. Childs be more successful and become so popular as a florist, and in so short a time, compared with others engaged in the same pursuit? The answer is this: By honest, straightforward dealing, combined with a desire to please all his patrons, by introducing novelties of worth and good quality, generosity, promptness in delivery and careful attention to all orders, all of which are absolutely necessary for the prosperous continuance of his immense and growing trade."

From *The Independent Republican*, Montrose, Pa., April 23, 1892: "How comes it that this gentleman stands at the front of his profession? How comes it that he looms above firms twice as long established? How happens it that he has nearly 900,000 customers? Certainly mere brag and bluster never would have placed him in the exalted position he now occupies. Handsome Catalogues are all very well, but they alone will not hold customers. Beauty in art must be backed up by beauty in nature. Will the seed sold by this gentleman produce beautiful flowers? After an experience of fourteen years with his seeds we emphatically answer yes."

From *The Colorado Farmer*, Denver, Colo., Feb. 12, 1892: "To be so well known and honored is to enjoy a renown greater than that of King, Emperor or President, for it rests upon the sound esteem and sincere affection of the unknown and world-wide army of humanity, without regard to age, station or sex."

From *The Carnesville Tribune*, Carnesville, Ga., April 27, 1892: "Flowers from North America's Floral Park blossom beneath Syrian suns on the sunny slopes of Olivet and Carmel, in the frozen regions of North America, and on the burning plains of the Ganges, from Corea to the most distant islands of the Pacific. From Thibet to the Cape of Good Hope, Floral Park has planted its flowers, and kings and peasants are its customers."

From *The Blue Valley Blade*, Seward, Neb., March 9, 1892: "Mr. Childs has built up this vast business by always supplying his customers with the best grade of goods possible in his line; by introducing the most novelties of sterling merit; by filling all orders promptly and correctly, and by giving satisfaction in every respect, whether the order be large or small, thus retaining all his old customers and constantly adding new ones."

From *The "South"*, Holly Springs, Miss., March 19, 1892: "There are so many things to recommend Floral Park to the flower-loving public that it would be hard to decide which is the greatest recommendation; but the introduction of so many new plants, the excellent quality of all plants and seeds grown there, the careful packing and the prompt and polite attention that is given all orders, whether large or small, is enough to say nothing of the very reasonable terms on which choice plants and seeds of all kinds can be purchased, thus making it possible for many to enjoy the luxury of beautiful and rare flowers, delicious fruits and vegetables in their own homes, who could not afford to pay the fancy prices charged elsewhere."

From *The Spickardville Sentinel*, Spickardville, Mo., April 23, 1892: "I have purchased seeds, shrubs, vines and bulbs for three years of Mr. Childs, and can say he is the most prompt, trustworthy seedsman I ever dealt with."

From *The Weekly Register*, Rockford, Mich., April 24, 1892: "Surely the life work of John Lewis Childs, the great florist, is an ennobling one, for the flowers from the many, many blossoming acres of Floral Park, N. Y., are being sent to every part of the world."

From *The Blackwater Courier*, Franklin, Va., April 27, 1892: "Mr. Childs is constantly introducing some new novelty of fruit or flowers. No land is too distant or difficult of access for his enterprise, and each new stranger finds at Floral Park its proper culture."

From *The True Citizen*, Waynesboro, Ga., April 23, 1892: "We challenge the world to produce a better Catalogue. Better in artistic appearance; better in minute description of the most inferior plant tested; better in instruction for making express facilities, or better to supply the needs of every hearth and home."

From *The Hennessey Clipper*, Hennessey, Ok. Ter., April 8, 1892: "Every one should see John Lewis Childs' Floral Park, N. Y., Catalogue for 1892. It is the truest, richest and handsomest in the world. I have just received one of them and would not take \$10 for it."

From *The Manayunk Sentinel*, Philadelphia, Pa., April 21, 1892: "Mr. Childs has been in business less than twenty years and started in a small way. That he now ranks amongst, if he is not the very first, goes to prove how his method of doing business is approved by that discriminating section of the public—the flower lovers and buyers."

From *The Western Methodist*, Wichita, Kans., April 15, 1892: "And his large business is a fitting monument to Mr. Childs' patient perseverance, his honesty and honest dealing, his willingness to correct all errors and to comply with the expressed wishes of buyers."

From *The New Haven Weekly Register*, New Haven, Conn., April 14, 1892: "Altogether, Floral Park is a place which any person may visit with pleasure and profit and with the assurance that they will be kindly received by the genial proprietor."

From *The Barnesville Enterprise*, Barnesville, Ohio, April 7, 1892: "Mr. Childs is a lover of flowers, that is one great cause of his great success, and each of his 300,000 customers will testify to having always found him prompt and obliging and in every way O. K."

From *The Oconee News*, Waltham, S. C., April 21, 1892: "Mr. Childs can certainly claim 'Excelsior' as his motto, for he has undoubtedly scaled the heights unapproached by his competitors."

From *The Anderson News*, Lawrenceburg, Ky., April 21, 1892: "I am sure that through Mr. Childs' careful and exact way of doing business many a florist has flourished, and from these homes will go out an influence for good to those around them."

From *The Kosse Cyclone*, Kosse, Texas, April 21, 1892: "The magnitude which Mr. Childs' business has assumed in every department is convincing argument that his dealings with customers have given entire satisfaction in every respect, as he has always endeavored to supply only the very best grade of goods, and to send more for the money than promised."

From *The Chillicothe Enquirer*, Chillicothe, Ill., April 27, 1892: "Of all the seedmen I have found John Lewis Childs the most reliable. He introduces more and better novelties than any other firm of the kind in the world."

From *The Standard*, Hoosic Falls, N. Y., April 28, 1892: "If anything is more remarkable than the present skillful management of his enormous establishment, it is the tact and ability which have brought the business steadily toward the goal of success, while rivals have been springing up around him as plentifully as the armed men who sprang from the dragon's teeth sown by Jason in his quest for the 'Golden Fleece.' Through difficulties and opposition Mr. Childs has 'pursued the even tenor' of his way until he stands at the head of his profession in America."

From *The Shield & Press*, Snow Hill, Md., Feb. 27, 1892: "To-day his customers are found in every part of the world. No better evidence can be found of the satisfactory results to be obtained through firm adherence to strict business principles and dealing liberally with customers. Add to this a spirit of great energy and enterprise possessed by Mr. Childs, and we have the secret of his wonderful success."

From *The Plainfield Courier*, Plainfield, N. J., March 2, 1892: "There are doubtless many flower lovers among the readers of the *Courier* and many cultivators whose available space for gratifying so pure and wholesome a taste is limited. To such it will be a boon to have their attention directed to the exceedingly elegant Catalogue of seeds and plants issued this year by John Lewis Childs."

From *The Denver Press*, Denver, Colo., March 24, 1892: "Orders correctly filled and promptly forwarded, reliability in every department has made a world-wide reputation for John Lewis Childs."

From *The Charlotte Tribune*, Charlotte, Mich., April 20, 1892: "One thing more, we never heard Mr. Childs making unkind remarks of anyone; his motto is 'Imitate rather than envy,' and we sincerely hope he may live many years to enjoy his well-earned reputation."

From *The Busy South*, Summertown, Tenn., Jan. 3, 1892: "I know of none more astonishing for the rapidity of its growth and wonderful success than the business of this flower and seed house. There are many older houses than this, it having started but a few years ago, but it has outstripped them all and now stands at the head for pure and reliable seeds, and for choice flowers and bulbs."

From *The Tusq, Farm and Home*, Auburn, Me., April 14, 1892: "A born lover of flowers, their cultivation was a pastime with him in his boyhood, and the propagation and introduction of 'New, Rare and Beautiful Flowers,' was early selected as the business of his life. As he neared manhood, still less than 21 years of age, he selected as the seat of operations for his life-work the location that has since been transformed into the wonder of flowers that now bears the name of Floral Park."

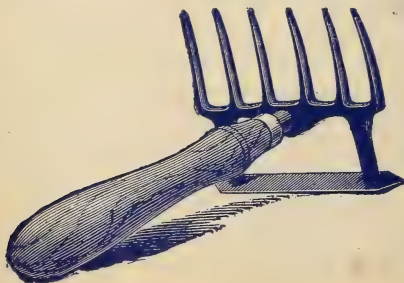


Clematis Paniculata.

It has been a long time since so valuable a novelty of its kind as this has been introduced. It is a plant of more real merit than any other hardy climber. It flowers in late August and September, the blossoms being pure white and borne in enormous panicles or clusters. A vine of it in bloom is a sight to behold. The clusters are so large and numerous that a solid sheet of bloom is seen. Blooming also as it does after all other Clematis have ceased adds greatly to its value. In fact during its season it is the only flowering vine of any particular value. It is perfectly hardy and a vigorous grower, attaining a height of 10 to 20 feet, and spreading out over a large surface of trellis or other support. As a veranda vine it is without an equal. Nothing else is so showy, and no other vine can take its place. It commences to bloom when very small increasing in size and beauty each year. We say without hesitation that it is the most valuable of all Clematis, and we are exceedingly fortunate in having so large a stock that we can offer it at the remarkably low price of 30c. each, 4 for \$1.00.

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Combining, as it does, both the rake and hoe, it is the most *serviceable, durable and perfect weeder* on the market. It is especially adapted to cutting weeds and grass, shallow cultivation and stirring of the soil of *all garden crops, flower beds and nursery stock* that requires hand cultivation in the early stages of growth. It is neatly and strongly made of malleable iron (tinned), and the blade of the best steel, sharpened on both edges and points, which allows weeding close to the plants. Every one who has a garden, large or small, should have the *Combination Weeder*. Guaranteed to give satisfaction. Price only 40 cents, post-paid.



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A COLORED PLATE of this size can not properly show these new Gladiolus, therefore we have prepared a magnificent stipple lithograph in 18 colors, size 16 x 33 inches, eight times larger than this plate, and showing spikes in bloom, natural size and colors. It is a magnificent picture, and we will supply it in rollers by mail, free of charge, if 10c. is sent to pay cost of packing and postage. Write for it at once, and get your friends to do the same. When seen, everybody will want it.

This is the most important and valuable floral introduction which this generation has seen, and one which will completely revolutionize and bring into still greater importance the Gladiolus.

HISTORY. This wonderful class of hybrids was produced by Herr Max Leichtlin, of Germany, the most noted horticulturist in the world, and is the result of crossing and re-crossing *G. Saundersoni* with *G. Gandevensis*. From his hands they passed to Monsieur G. LeBeuf, Mayor of Argenteuil, France, who cultivated and propagated them for several years, until the entire stock was imported to the United States by Mr. V. H. Hallock in 1887. In 1891 they came into our possession at the purchase price of \$20,000. The stock now consists of about 400 distinct varieties, which will be duly named, and about 400,000 mixtures and seedlings of blooming size. Up to this time none have been sold or sent out except to the Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew, England, where for two years they have created a great sensation; and to the Gardens of the Czar of Russia and Khedive Ishmael of Turkey.

DESCRIPTION. It is difficult to describe flowers of such varied and peculiar beauty as these Gladiolus, and it can only be done by a comparison with other sorts. They are much stronger and more vigorous than others, the growth being exceedingly rank, and the foliage dark, healthy green. They are very tall and erect, often standing four or five feet high with spikes of bloom over two feet in length. They branch freely, in most cases each stem producing three or four spikes of bloom. The flowers are of great substance and of gigantic size, frequently 7 to 9 inches across. This colored plate is not large enough to show the flower's natural size. The form of both the flower and spike is perfection itself, and they last in bloom a long time before fading, owing to their great substance and vigor, but the most remarkable feature is their coloring. Orchids can not surpass them in varied and delicate shades, markings and blendings. Every color known among Gladiolus is represented, and many never before seen, particularly blues, smoky-grays and purple-blacks, all having beautifully mottled and spotted throats, made up of white, crimson, pink, yellow, etc., and in this peculiar net-work of charming spots and colors lies one of its special points of unsurpassed beauty. The flowers are more beautifully colored than Lemoine's Hybrids, and much larger than *Gandevensis*. Even the beautiful flowers of the weak-growing *Nanceianus* can not compare with the regal beauty, size or colors of this class.

PRICE. MIXED COLORS.—Large flowering bulbs, 40c. each; 3 for \$1; 7 for \$2; 12 for \$3.50; 25 for \$7; 100 for \$26.

NAMED SORTS.

- DR. SELLEW**—Large spike and very large flower of great substance. Deep rich rosy crimson, slightly penciled darker. Center of petals rayed with white. Throat pure white, mottled and spotted with violet crimson. A strong, robust grower, and one of the very finest Gladioli that ever bloomed.
- WM. FALCONER**.—Spike of great length and flowers of enormous size. Light pink and blush, two delicate shades, freely mottled and intermixed. Throat spotted with crimson and white.
- COLUMBIA**—Light orange-scarlet, freely blotched and penciled with bluish-purple. Base of petals rayed with pure white. Throat freely marked, spotted and mottled with white and violet.
- HENRY GILLMAN**.—Deep salmon-scarlet with pure white bands through each petal; the throat showing the peculiar spotting and mottling of this class.
- MRS. BEECHER**.—Beautiful deep rosy crimson. Large, well-opened flower with pure white throat, freely marked and spotted with bright carmine.
- BEN HUR**.—Large, compact spike, enormous flower of a peculiar and almost indescribable color. Light, salmon-rose, tinged, flaked and mottled with blue. Throat beautifully mottled and spotted, white and bright carmine. A grand sort.

Price of above 6 named sorts, \$1.00 each; the 6 for \$5.00.

Max Leichtlin says: "I was struck with the broad, open form of the flowers of *G. Saundersoni*, and having carefully selected the best among the *Gandevensis* section, I repeatedly crossed the *Saundersoni*; the final result is the present race of Gladioli (*Childsi*), distinguished by their exceptionally wide open flowers and their beautiful colors."

G. LeBeuf says: "I can truthfully say that I have cultivated this Gladioli to the greatest of my satisfaction. In appearance and color it is royal and unsurpassed. Its coloring is distinct in every detail, varying from a self color to all the delicate shades.

L. Solyom, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C., writes: "I went all the way from here to see your Gladioli while in the height of the flowering season. I have no words to describe my delight at the sight of acres upon acres of the finest varieties I ever saw. Your own seedlings rank among the best. As for the new hybrids (*Childsi*), they are simply beyond all praise—hardy, healthy-looking plants of the softest and finest colors, and of a size never yet reached among Gladioli. They have fairly dazed me; again and again I return to contemplate them, and the vision haunts me still."

SEED. We can supply seed of Gladiolus Childsi, all colors mixed, at 20c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 50c. From seed they bloom the second and third year.

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OUR "SURPRISE COLLECTION." — More Good Things for \$1.00 Than You Can Get in Any Other Way.

To meet the demands of our large trade, we are obliged to grow enormous stocks of all kinds of Plants, Bulbs and Seeds, often more than necessary, to make sure of having enough; so, after the heavy spring business is about over (in May), we take this surplus stock of various good things, make it into "Surprise" Collections, and offer them to our customers, giving them three or four times the value of their money. In fact, the "Surprise" is in the great amount of fine things you get for the money paid. These collections cannot be sent out until about the middle of May, and will be entirely of our own selection, from kinds of which we have a surplus. No collection will be made up for less than **One Dollar**, and from that up to any amount the purchaser may desire. They will be sent free by mail, unless desired by express, and in that case we can send very much more for the money than by mail. All "Surprise" Collections ordered previous to May 20th, will be booked and shipped then, but we can continue sending them up to the first of July. We advise our friends to invest a dollar or more in this collection. We can guarantee that you will be greatly pleased.

Attention, Mayflower Readers! \$1.00 worth of Choice Seeds for 30c. \$2.10 worth for 50c.

It is our purpose in future to offer to the subscribers of the Mayflower a few especially good Bulbs, Plants or Seeds, in collections or otherwise, at extremely low rates. This is an extra benefit which subscribers to our paper will be entitled to, and is well worth considering.

Let it be distinctly understood that this offer is **only to those who are subscribers to the Mayflower**, and further that we cannot sell to any one subscriber more than *one each of these two collections*. The price is only about enough to pay postage and packing, we almost giving the articles free.

If any of our customers are not subscribers, we hope they soon will be, that they may be entitled to these special Mayflower offers, which we shall continue to make several times a year. For full particulars regarding the Mayflower and its magnificent premium, see colored plate announcement.

MAYFLOWER COLLECTION No. 1.

This is \$1.10 worth of finest Flower Seeds which will be sent postpaid to Mayflower subscribers for only 30 cts. One packet each of the following:—

Cleome Pungens.....	10	Poppy Snowdrift.....	10	Zinnia, Childs' Improved.....	10
Pansy, Imperial German.....	10	Portulaca, Double Mixed.....	15	Gaillardia Perfection.....	20
Phlox, Childs' Jubilee.....	15	Verbena, Childs' Prize Mixed.....	20		

MAYFLOWER COLLECTION No. 2.

This is \$1.00 worth of the very choicest Vegetable Seeds, which will be sent postpaid to Mayflower subscribers for only 30 cts. One packet each of the following:—

Corn, Childs' Honey Dew.....	10	Cucumber, Everbearing.....	10	Squash, Metcalf.....	10
Cabbage, Bismarck.....	10	Watermelon, Ruby Gold.....	10	Radish, Earliest.....	10
Lettuce, Childs' Half Century.....	10	Musk Melon, Emerald Gem.....	10	Tomato, Childs' Ruby Queen.....	10
Pepper, Childs' Kaleidoscope.....	10				

The above Collections embrace the finest sorts of Flower and Vegetable Seeds. Either Collection will be sold to any one who is a subscriber to the Mayflower, for only 30 cts., or both Collections for 50 cts.



MARGARET CARNATIONS

Grand Novelties in Flower Seeds.

In novelties we offer nothing that we have not grown and tested, and can strongly recommend. We have always refrained from offering European novelties the first year they came out, for on being tested in this country more than half of them are always found undesirable. We have, during the past ten years,

sold a great many Novelties, and it is worthy of note that we never offered an undesirable one, and those here offered can be relied upon as being superb in all respects. We especially recommend the new Gaillardia Perfection, Tulip Poppy, Cleome Alba, Sweet Peas, Giant Petunias, and Centrosema.

The New Margaret Carnations.

A New Strain of Dwarf, Perpetual Blooming Carnations which flower in 3 or 4 Months from Seed.

It is of dwarf, compact and pretty habit, branching closely above the ground, with vigorous stalks which need not be supported by sticks. It flowers most abundantly in a great variety of colors throughout the year, and the calyx never bursts. But what renders this variety far superior to any other, and places it in the first rank, is that the flowers appear in about three months after sowing the seed. Moreover, it produces at least eighty per cent. of double flowers, which are large and perfect. The plants grow easily everywhere, both in sandy soil or heavy loam, and will give the greatest satisfaction. Indeed they signify an improvement on all other Carnations, which nobody ever thought of. Think of getting Carnations in flower from seeds in about four months, which lasts throughout the winter, and of various colors. We say without hesitation that it is the most important flower seed novelty in many years. Per pkt. of all colors mixed, 20 cts.; 3 pkts. for 50 cts.

Gaillardia Perfection.

These might properly be called "Chrysanthemum Gaillardias," on account of their large double blossoms which resemble so closely the Chrysanthemum. These new Gaillardias are a great way ahead of all other sorts, and they were the finest German Novelty sent out last year. The flowers are of enormous size, perfectly double, and borne in great profusion all summer, while the colors and variegations are the most brilliant and beautiful imaginable. Scarlet, red, orange, purple, lemon, buff, etc. Altogether it is one of the very finest Flower Seed Novelties we have had in many years, and one which is sure to give the greatest satisfaction. Start seed early if possible. Per pkt. 20 cts.; 3 pkts. for 50 cts.

Salvia Compacta Floribunda.

A dwarf, compact form of the old Salvia Splendens. It is a great bloomer at all times of the year, and its compact habit makes it a most showy garden flower, far superior to the old variety. Pkt. 10c.





Tulip Poppy.

This is in every sense a superb novelty. The flowers are large, closely resembling a fine Tulip, and the earliest to bloom of all annual Poppies. The shape of the flower is perfect itself, while its color is matchless, dark, intense scarlet, so bright and dazzling that the eye is almost dimmed by looking at a mass of them. In both color and shape it is rightly named the Tulip Poppy, as well also on account of its great beauty and extreme earliness. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

Scarlet Nicotiana.

(*N. macrophylla*.)

All who have learned to love and cherish the beautiful and sweet White Nicotianas, Affinis, and Decurrens (and who has not), will hail with joy the advent of this scarlet variety. That it is a glorious plant goes without saying. It is both beautiful and grand, growing as it does to the height of 4 or 5 feet, with great broad leaves of rich tropical appearance. Its flowers are large, reddish scarlet in color, and borne in a mass at the ends of the stems and branches. It blooms very early and continues all summer. In pots it blooms freely but makes but little growth, and is, therefore a pretty and convenient pot plant. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

Helianthus Primrose.

This is a Sunflower of a beautiful primrose color; unlike any other in cultivation. Except in color it does not differ from the common yellow Sunflower. Pkt. 5c.



PANSY, CHILDS' SUPERFINE.

Pansy, Childs' Superfine.

The Pansy is our leading specialty in seeds, and testimonials show that for years we have sold the finest Pansy seed that has been sold in this country. As the introducers of the Imperial German and Giant Excelsior we have had the finest strains of these, the best of all Pansies; Childs' Superfine is merely a careful selection from them. The plants which show the greatest vigor and perfection in growth, and beauty in size and shape of flower, are selected for seed. They are carefully cultivated and seed saved only from a few of the largest and most perfect flowers of the finest colors. We grow it in Northern Germany where the Pansy attains its greatest perfection, and we can emphatically say that this is the finest Pansy seed ever offered in the world; the very best that can be grown or had at any price. Per pkt. of 25 seeds, 50c.

Peacock Pansy.

A Pansy of superb and varied color, most of them showing that glorious and luminous bronze blue seen only in peacock feathers. It is a finely colored strain and cannot be too highly recommended. Per pkt. 15c.

Tree Cockscomb.

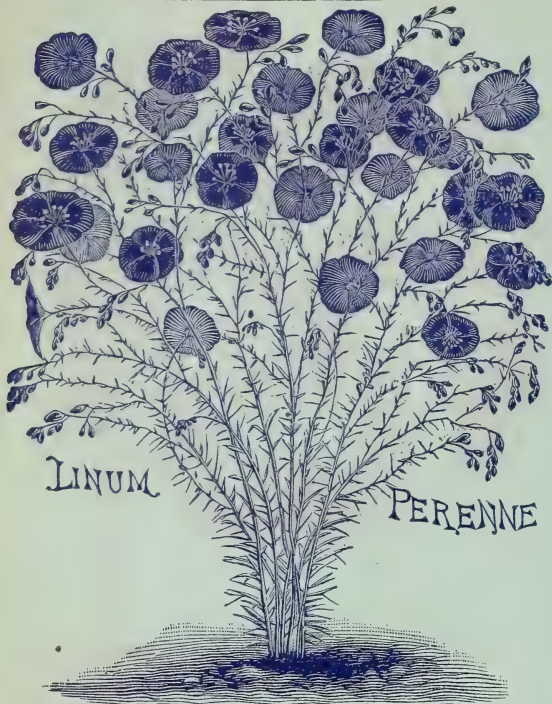
This is a splendid novelty. It is so hardy and vigorous that seed may be sown in the open ground in the spring instead of starting it under glass, like other Cockscombs. It grows rapidly, reaching the height of 5 or 6 feet, and branches freely, producing several heads of enormous size, and dark, rich crimson in color. It is very effective, and should be in every garden, for not only is it the easiest to grow, but the most showy of all Cockscombs. It is sure to be highly satisfactory. Per pkt. 10c.

Calliopsis Lanceolata.

A beautiful plant, which flowers profusely all summer. The flowers are of great size, golden-yellow, and borne on long, wiry stems, one to two feet high, and therefore present a most graceful and beautiful appearance. The flowers look as though they were floating in the air. Perfectly hardy, and when once planted will be a joy for many years. Pkt. 10c.



TREE COCKSCOMBS.



LINUM

PERENNE

Linum Perenne.

Though not new in every sense of the word, this beautiful flower is quite unknown to the general public. It is really one of the most charming of all hardy perennial plants, and one which blooms profusely during the entire summer. Its numerous stems and branches are very slender and wiry, and the leaves produced are exceedingly small, appearing the entire length of the branches. The flowers are very large and beautiful in shape and color, and as they are borne at the ends of the long wiry branches, they present an airy grace and beauty which is rarely seen. Few plants attract such universal attention. It is one of our most beautiful and satisfactory garden flowers. Perfectly hardy, and when once planted will bloom profusely year after year.

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| Blue, lovely, dark sky blue | pkt. 10 |
| White, fine, pure snow white | 10 |
| Rose, beautiful rosy pink | 10 |
| Mixed, all Colors | 15 |

One packet each of the three colors for 25c.



TORENIA, WHITE WINGS.

Torenia, White Wings.

A lovely little annual suitable either for pots or the open ground. It blooms profusely all summer, and its lovely snowy white blossoms, pretty foliage and neat habit of growth is always greatly admired. It is a gem. Pkt. 20c.



ECKFORDS' SWEET PEAS

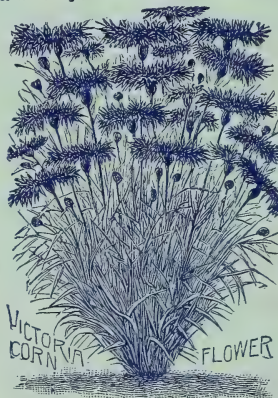
Eckfords New Sweet Peas.

Every one has heard of the wonderful beauty of these new Sweet Peas. We have never before offered them, though they have been sold for two or three years, for the reason that we desired to get hold of a superior strain before we added them to our Catalogue. This we have now succeeded in doing, and these here offered can be relied upon as being superior to any previously offered. Their color, markings and variegations are exquisite, while the size and fragrance of the blossoms is astonishing.

- All Colors Mixed, magnificent, pkt. 15c.; oz. 40c.
Lottie Eckford, new, and a free bloomer; color lavender, shaded with pink and white. Very handsome. Pkt. 10c.

Gentaurea Cyanus Victoria.

This is the best German novelty of last year and a garden or pot flower of distinct appearance and great beauty. Seed may be sown early in the spring, in the open ground or in pots. It grows rapidly and will commence to bloom within 60 days after it has germinated. It makes a compact plant about one foot high, a dense mass of branches and leaves above which are borne hundreds of lovely blue flowers. The effect of a few plants in bloom is charming. In pots it is also a beauty. Pkt. 10c.



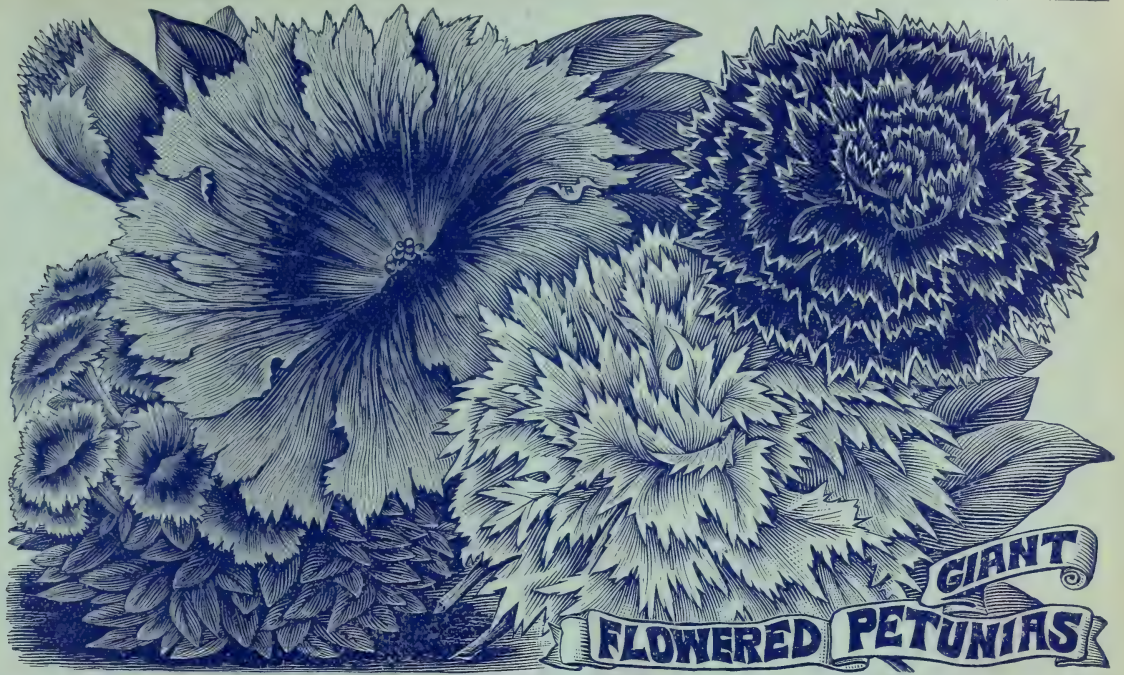
VICTORIA CORN FLOWER



CHERIANTHUS.

Cherianthus "Fairy Queen."

A lovely little flower which all should possess. It commences to bloom within a month after the seed is sown, either in the garden or in pots. The flowers are borne in spikes and are very gay and pretty, being of bright crimson and lilac colors. These dainty little plants, only a few inches in height, being so profusely in bloom, are exceedingly attractive. As a mass in the garden they are superb and bloom all summer, while in pots they are equally desirable. They bloom so soon that a pot of them may be had in full perfection in 40 days from the time of sowing the seed, either in summer or winter. Try it by all means. You will be greatly pleased with it. Pkt. 10c.



New Giant Flowered Petunias

California has given us many improved strains of various seeds, but nothing better than these fine large flowered Petunias. All we need to say about them is that they are the largest and finest colored Petunias we have yet seen, and we are sure that their beauty will be a revelation to all who plant them. We offer both a double and single mixture of them.

Giant Flowered Double, all colors mixed, flowers of great size, beautifully fringed, and of lovely colors. They bloom the whole year. 30c. per pkt.

Giant Flowered Single, enormous single flowers of great beauty. Pkt. 20c.

Cleome Pungens Alba.

This lovely pure white Cleome originated with us and is now offered for the first time. It has all the good qualities of C-Pungens offered and illustrated on page 46. It is in fact just like it, except in color, which is pure white. It is needless to say that it is one of the most beautiful and valuable garden flowers. Its wonderful blooming qualities are unsurpassed. Pkt. 15c.



The Fragrant Gourd.

This is a most unique climber, bearing beautiful fruit, which are highly fragrant, as well as beautiful. On account of their delicious perfume, people used to carry them around in their pockets. Pkt. 10c.

Centrosema Grandiflora.

I have had the pleasure of watching the growth and development of this plant during the last few seasons. It is a hardy, perennial vine of rare and exquisite beauty, which blooms early in June from seeds sown in April, and bears in the greatest profusion inverted, pea-shaped flowers from 1½ to 2½ inches in diameter, and ranging in color from rosy violet to reddish purple, with a broad feathered white marking through the centre, while the large buds and the back of the flowers are pure white, making it appear as if one

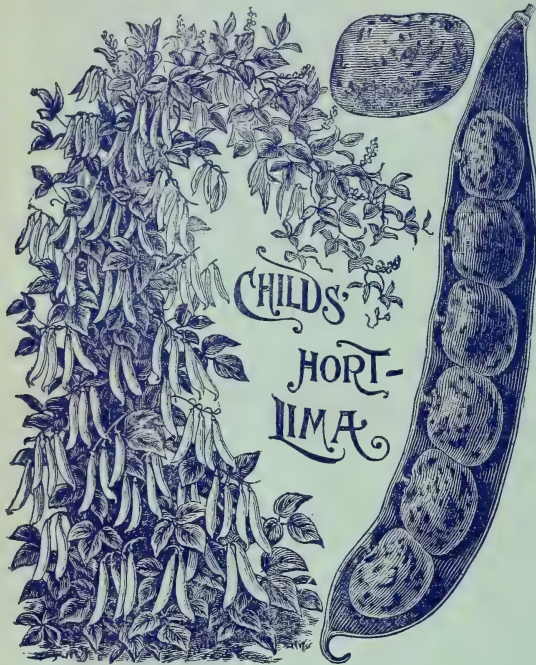
plant bore many different colored flowers at one time. Occasionally plants produce pure white flowers, while others are broadly margined with a white feathering. The flowers are produced in the greatest abundance, sometimes 6 to 8 in a cluster. The stem and foliage are very graceful and of a delightful odor. It is well adapted for every garden purpose, and especially as a climber, running from 6 to 8 feet in a season. It will bloom until frost, and if potted, will no doubt flower freely in the house. One of its most attractive features is the way in which the flowers look up at you. Every imaginative person sees faces in the pansy, and this is even more suggestive in Centrosema. Pkt. 20c.



CENTROSEMA GRANDIFLORA.

RARE NOVELTIES IN VEGETABLES.

THE introduction of Rare Novelties in Vegetables is one of our Specialties, and we offer a list this year which surpasses all previous efforts. With three or four exceptions all the varieties are new this year, or last year. Good Vegetables are just as easily grown as poor ones, and one should plant the best varieties that exist. It is our aim to recommend only the most worthy sorts, and those who plant the following will be greatly pleased with all of them.



Good New Lima Beans.

Several imported novelties in Lima Beans have been recently introduced, including both Pole and Bush varieties. The following all possess great merit:

Childs' Horticultural Lima (Pole)—This is a highly important novelty as it is in every respect entirely distinct and meritorious. It is a cross between the Common Lima and Horticultural beans. It has the shape of the former and color of the latter, while its flavor is a combination of these two finest of all Beans. It is very prolific, bearing five to seven beans in each pod, and is fully *three weeks earlier than any other Lima*. This is a most important fact. It can be grown in our Northern States and Canada where no other Lima will mature, and we believe it is the great Bean of the future for the entire world. It ought to be as it combines the good qualities of the two best sorts in cultivation. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 50c.

Henderson's Bush Lima—For full description see page 75. Pkt. 10c.

Burpee's Bush Lima—The introducer says: "This is the first and only true bush form of the luscious large Lima Bean, and comes absolutely true from seed. The bushes grow eighteen to twenty inches high, of stout growth and always erect, yet *branching so vigorously* that each plant develops into a magnificent circular bush, from *two feet to three feet in diameter*. The leaves are of very large size and great substance. The bush character is thoroughly established, not one plant in a thousand showing any disposition to 'run.' The thickness of the main stalk and branches of the plant, as also the unusual size, healthy green color and thick leathery substance of the leaves indicate the strong constitution of this variety, by which it is enabled to bear large crops, and is also a sure cropper. It is an *immense yielder*, each bush bearing from 50 to 200 of the handsome large pods, well filled with very large beans, which are *identical in size and luscious flavor to the well known large pole Limas*. By the introduction of this most valuable novelty, the largest and best Lima Beans can now be raised in quantity at small cost, without the expense and labor attached to the use of poles." Pkt., 15c.; ½ pint, 40c.; pint, 75c.; quart, \$1.40.



BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.

Willow Leaf Lima (Pole)—A most remarkable Lima on account of its great productiveness and beauty. It differs from all other beans in its beautiful deeply-cut foliage, aptly called Willow Leaf. Its light, graceful foliage and slender wavy growth make it a very ornamental vine indeed. In productiveness it exceeds all other beans, as many as 1729 pods having been counted on a single vine. The beans are pure white in color and of excellent flavor, and are produced abundantly all the season, from early until late. It is a valuable novelty. Pkt. 10c.; pint, 40c.; qt. 75c.

Jackson's Wonder Bush Lima—A fine and very prolific Bush Lima. The beans are beautifully speckled, of fair size, and flat like other Limas. Its quality is very fine, and it is enormously productive. A great acquisition, as it is, in all respects, one of the very finest garden beans. Pkt. 15c.; 2 pkts. 25c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 50c. we will send one packet each of these 5 new Lima Beans.

Fine Mixed Hybrid Tomato Seed.

A bright and enthusiastic gardener in California has for several years been crossing and re-crossing all sorts of the Tomato, both large and small, yellow, white and red, early and late. Every known variety has been used—large smooth, pear-shaped, plum-shaped, currant, fig, peach, etc. The result is a most interesting mixture of all shapes, colors and sizes, from the very largest to the very smallest. This mixture is not only novel but valuable, and the most interesting and satisfactory to plant for the home garden. Everybody will be delighted with the variety and quality of fruit produced. Per pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts. for 25c.



12 Months Radish Mixture.

This is a mixture of all kinds of Radishes, early, medium, fall, winter, Chinese, etc. Sow a row of it and it will furnish you delicious Radishes throughout the year. The early and medium ones as they mature and are pulled make room for the larger growth of the fall and winter varieties. This mixture is made up of twenty-five best varieties, and with it is necessary to make but one sowing for the entire year. Try it once and you will ever after use it. Per oz., 10c.; 3/4 lb., 50c.; lb., 80c.

Giant Purple Cauliflower.

This is a valuable novelty, and is the largest and finest Cauliflower grown. It was sent to us by the U. S. Consul at Catania, Sicily, who speaks of it thus: "It is of rather slow growth, but very large, good specimens measuring twenty inches across the head or flower. When fit for the table the whole edible part is a pea-green color, tipped with purple. It is the finest Cauliflower I have ever eaten, the flavor being exceedingly fine. The ordinary white varieties are very tame and insipid in comparison with this." We find it to be a grand variety. Heads are of enormous size and deep purple in color. In flavor it is superior to other sorts, being very tender and delicate to the taste. We have two varieties of it, Early and Late.

Giant Purple, Late.....	Pkt. 30
Giant Purple, Early.....	Pkt. 30

One packet of each for 50c.

Two Fine New Sweet Corns.

Childs' Honey Dew, the finest early variety.—For years seedsmen have been working to get a corn as early as the Cory, with large ear, white cob and superb quality of the later varieties. We at last have it. Childs' Honey Dew is not only the earliest, but has a good sized ear, white cob, and large, pearly kernels of the very finest quality, tender, sweet and nutritious. It also keeps a long time in good condition before hardening. In all-round good qualities it is the finest of all Sweet Corns. It grows to a medium height, always uniform, and the ears are formed low on the stalks. It is in all respects perfection itself. Mr. Wilbur, the extensive seed corn grower of Weathersfield, Conn., who grew an acre of the Honey Dew the past season, says: "It is the finest Early Corn." Believing



that so valuable a novelty as this should be offered at a price which will bring it within the reach of all, we have grown an enormous crop of it and offer it as follows: Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c. By express we will send a peck for \$2.00.

California, a late variety of enormous size, great beauty of ear, and fine quality. It is the largest and handsomest sweet corn grown, and one of the most prolific as well as best quality.

L. E. Bigelow, Orange, Mass., writes: "It grows very rank, some stalks bearing four ears, others three, and none less than two. Its only fault is its size. To eat it from the cob one requires a mouth like a crocodile."

Louis Meyer, Malvern, Ark., writes: "The sample packet of California Sweet Corn which you sent produced ears for our table June 28th. Quality superb; ears very large. No stalks bore less than two ears while some had three. It is certainly the best and most prolific corn I have ever seen."

We believe it is the great Corn of the future. Pkt. 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.; per peck, by express, \$2.00.



CALIFORNIA SWEET CORN.

Onion Seed.

Since our general list of Vegetable Seeds went to press the Onion Seed crop has been harvested and cleaned up, and found to be very short, fully one-half less than was expected. Prices have, therefore, greatly advanced, and we are obliged to ask 50 cents per lb. additional to the pound rates quoted on all Onion Seed offered on page 86. This will be the lowest net price at which our seed can be sold.

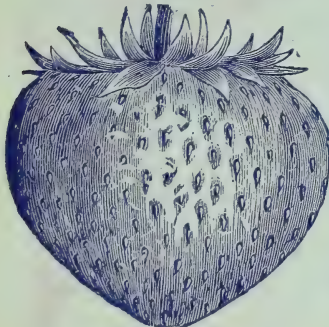


Childs' Cabbage, Bismarck.

This most wonderful Cabbage was produced by cross fertilizing extra fine strains of Drumhead, Flat Dutch and Large Drumhead Savoy, then by careful selection and saving for several years, a type was established entirely distinct, and, we believe in every respect superior to any other Cabbage in cultivation. It shows the Savoy blood by dark green color and slightly wavy leaves, though not crinkled. It possesses the largest size ever attained in Drumhead or Flat Dutch, and the superb quality of the Savoy. It has a short and VERY SMALL stem, consequently little waste from stem inside—much the least of any large Cabbage. It has but few surplus or scraggy leaves, neither is it necessary to waste half the head by peeling off a large quantity of leaves before reaching those of eatable quality. It is most remarkable in this respect, for after removing those immediately outside and exposed, you come to ivory-white, crisp, tender and delicious leaves, as in the best Savoy. It is very solid and heavy, and of quick growth and SURE TO HEAD. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.00.

picked from the vines have been kept in perfect condition for THREE to FOUR WEEKS during warm summer weather. It originated in the Picture Rock region of Wisconsin, hence its name. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 60c.; lb., \$8.00.

Strawberry.



STRAWBERRY.

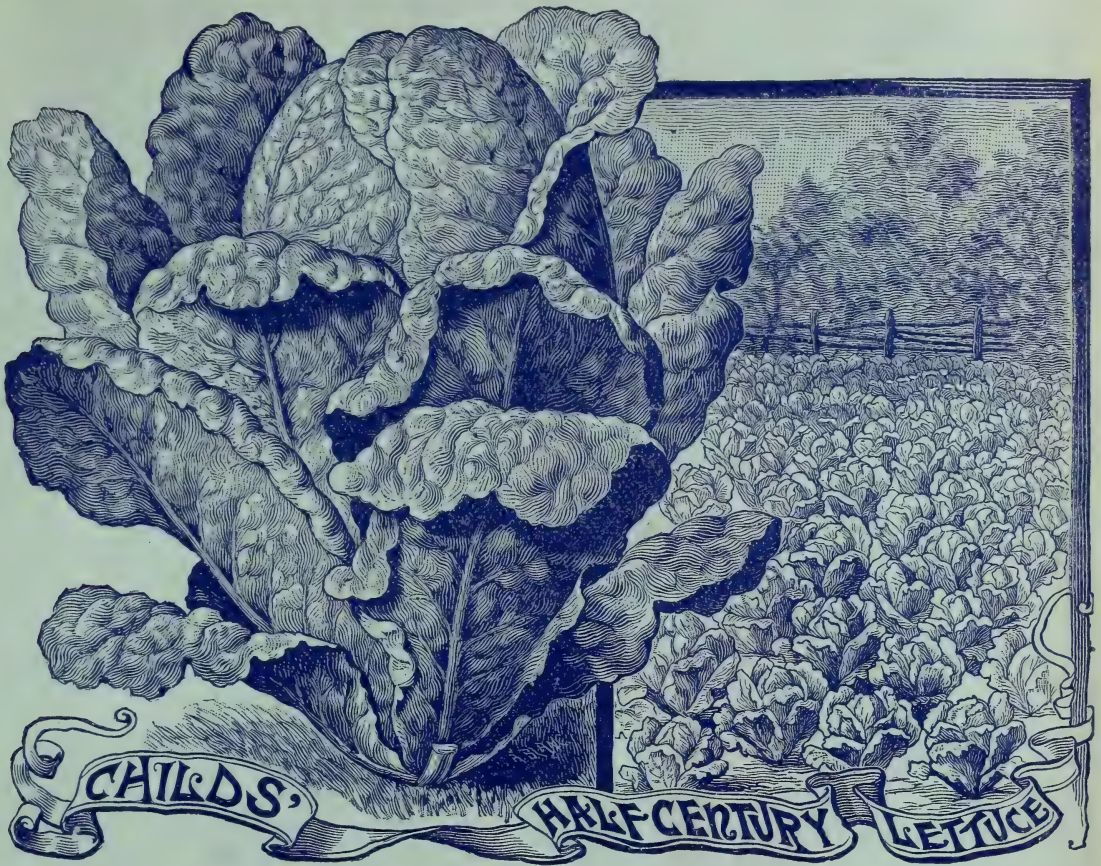
While in France we were surprised at the size, sweetness, and delicious flavor of the Strawberries, which are said to surpass any in the world. They are certainly a great way ahead of the American varieties. We have secured seed of the finest large-fruited kinds, which we have every reason to believe will produce varieties far superior to those in cultivation in this country.

Strawberry, large-fruited varieties, mixed. Pkt. 10c.

Childs' Picture Rock Tomato.

The grandest Tomato ever introduced. Fruit bright scarlet, of fair size and so perfect and uniform that they look as though each one was molded with the same stamp. On account of this perfect shape and great beauty it is unsurpassed for market. Its quality is extra fine, and it commences to ripen its fruit VERY EARLY, and continues in bearing until frost, a most remarkable quality. Its keeping qualities are, however, the most wonderful. Ripe fruit





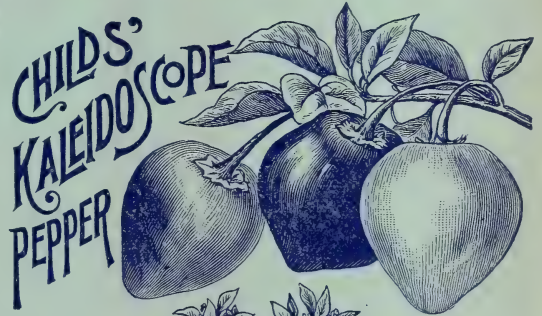
Childs' Half Century Lettuce.

Several years ago a customer sent us a small quantity of Lettuce seed to test, saying that it had been in his family for fifty years, and was noted for its great superiority over all other known sorts. We were surprised at its delicious quality, and have had it thoroughly tested from here to California, and it has proved to be a novelty of sterling merit. Its leaves fold together, forming a long, loose head, remarkable for tenderness and delicious flavor. It may seem a good deal to say, but it is, nevertheless, a fact that for tenderness, brittleness, and delicious quality, this Lettuce grown in the open ground surpasses any other sort grown under glass. Nothing can approach it in quality. It is so brittle and tender that its leaves break to pieces in handling if care is not used. Fifty years is a long time to cultivate, select and improve any vegetable; but it has surely accomplished much in this Lettuce. It is a quick grower and attains its full size in forty to fifty days, and remains in fine condition for a very long time. Pkt. 10c.; oz. 30c.; lb. \$3.00.

Childs' Kaleidoscope Pepper.

A NOVEL AND BEAUTIFUL SORT.

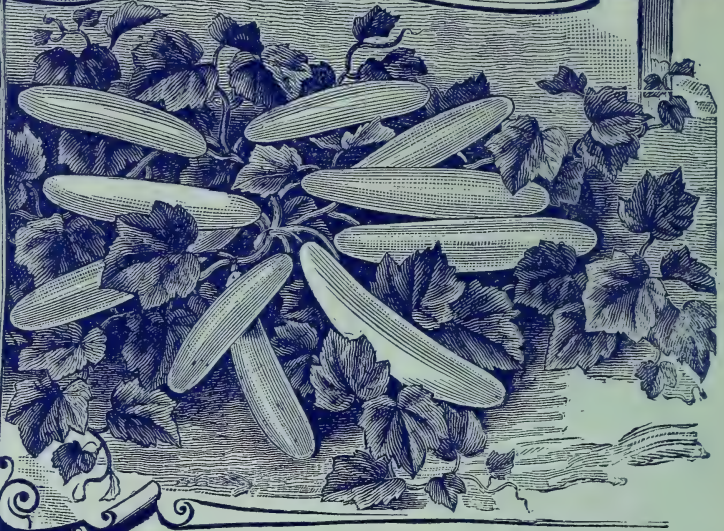
It is of beautiful habit, having long wavy branches, which are loaded with drooping fruit, the size and shape shown last year on colored plate. From the time the peppers form until fully grown they are of a light yellowish cream color. When fully grown they commence to change color, first to a lovely canary yellow, then to a deep orange, then to rose or pink, and so on through different shades are until they an intense scarlet, vivid and luminous. As may be imagined, a plant bearing hundreds of peppers which show six or eight distinct colors, is an object of more than ordinary beauty. It is sure to become a favorite pot plant, as well as a useful vegetable. It grows very freely in the garden or in pots and bears enormously. Its flavor is clear and sharp, and for any use to which a Pepper can be put, it is second to none. Per pkt. 10c.; oz. 35c.



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IVORY MONARCH.

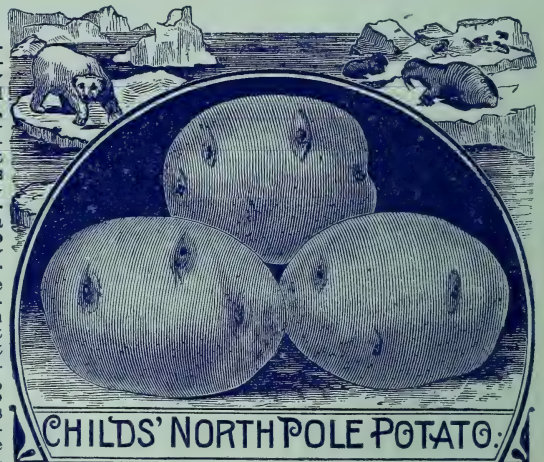


Cucumber, Ivory Monarch.

As a Cucumber it is indeed a marvel. It grows to the length of about two feet, and from the time it is an inch in length, its color is pure ivory-white. It frequently exceeds six pounds in weight, which makes it about six times heavier than any other Cucumber. It is really a monster, and when half grown exceedingly fine in quality. Its enormous size, great beauty and oddity make it one of the finest vegetables for exhibiting at fairs, and it never fails to capture first prize. Its flesh is thick and solid, with a very small seed cavity; and notwithstanding its great size it has fewer seeds than any other Cucumber we ever saw. This superb novelty is owned entirely by ourselves and cannot be had elsewhere this year. Pkt. 15c.; 3 pkts. 30c.

Childs' North Pole Potato.

This Potato was introduced by us several years ago, and the constant inquiry for it compels us to again offer it. Never was a new potato so eagerly sought after or ever gave better satisfaction. In the South it is the most valuable variety grown, giving two full crops in one season. It is one of the earliest



CHILDS' NORTH POLE POTATO.

of all Potatoes and comes from Northern Maine. In the climate of New York it is fit for the table early in June, being far ahead of the Early Rose or any other sort we have tested. It is of medium size, smooth, white and handsome, and in quality the finest of any Potato we have ever eaten, being extremely fine grained and mealy, and having a delicious flavor peculiar to itself. Fine tubers 10c. each; 3 for 25c. 12 for 80c., post-paid. By express, \$1.50 per peck; \$4.00 per bushel.



NEW EARLY SWEET POTATOES.

New Early Sweet Potatoes.

These four new Early Sweet Potatoes are indeed valuable Novelties. They ripen in ten weeks from the time of planting, and can be grown in any of our Northern States, or in Canada, as well as the ordinary Sweet Potato can be grown in the South. In quality they are much superior to the Southern article. With these varieties, any family in the land can grow their own Sweet Potatoes, and have them in August before the Southern ones are in market. Set the plants in hills, as you would ordinary potatoes, and any good soil will answer, though a light sandy one is the best. Even if the soil is very sandy and poor they do exceedingly well. Plants should be put out during June, or any time up to July 10th. We offer both tubers and green plants.

Tubers may be ordered at any time, and we will forward them by mail postpaid on receipt of order. They will be of medium size, which is the best for sprouting. They may be sprouted at any time from March to June by placing them in a hot-bed or a pot or a box of soil, covering them slightly with light and sandy soil. When the sprouts appear above ground give them plenty of air, and when they attain a height of four to twelve inches they may be pulled off and planted in the open ground, or potted for planting out later. A tuber will continue sending up sprouts for a long time if they are removed as fast as they get large enough. In this way one tuber generally produces from twenty to fifty plants.

Green Plants. These may be ordered at any time, but we do not send them out until about the first of June when it is time to plant them in the garden directly they are received. We produce them by sprouting tubers in the manner above described and send them by mail post-paid.

Chinese 30 Days. In one of our expeditions to China, we instructed our agent to secure some tubers of their best Sweet Potatoes, as we had often heard of their great merits. The result was we secured a variety remarkable for its extreme earliness. With us, small plants set out the last days of June produced full grown fine tubers by the first of August, hence its name "Thirty Days." The tubers are very large, fully a foot in length, and light pink in color. Its foliage is entirely distinct from any other sort, as when young the leaves are a purplish black color, but turn green with age. Tubers 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00. Green plants \$1.00 per doz.

General Grant, this entirely new and distinct Sweet Potato, besides being a great novelty, is a very valuable sort. The vines do not run all over the ground like other sorts, but form a bush of very strong growth with distinctive shaped, dark green leaves. The tubers are of enormous size, grow deeply in the ground, and the quality is extremely fine. Color light gold with soft thin streaks of pink. The flesh when cooked, is a rich yellow, very dry and delicious. Tubers 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00. Green plants \$1.00 per doz.

Early Golden, very large tubers, smooth and light golden color. Tubers 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00. Green plants, 50c. per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

Early Peabody, not quite so large as the Golden, but of extra fine flavor, dry and sweet, and of beautiful red color, odd and handsome. It is very early, often fit to cook the second week in August. Tubers 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00. Green plants 50c. per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

Special Offer.—For \$1.00 we will send one tuber each of the 4 sorts; 3 of each for \$2.00. Or for \$1.00 we will send 3 plants each of Chinese and Grant, and 6 each of Peabody and Golden, or 12 plants each of the 4 sorts for \$2.50.



The Stanley is a seedling from the Early Rose and a most valuable one, as it is in every way an improvement on that old reliable sort. Its points of merit are:

1st. It will yield twice the quantity of the Rose. 2d. It is six days earlier. 3d. It will not blight or decay. 4th. Its quality is not excelled by any sort. 5th. It is very smooth and of good shape, its eyes being nearly even with the surface. 6th. It is an excellent keeper and retains all its good qualities throughout the season. There is no doubt but that it is the greatest yielder and the most valuable Potato in cultivation. Price of fine tubers 15c. each; 4 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.25 by mail postpaid. 100 by express \$4.00.

Specialties and Novelties in Plants and Bulbs.

Under this head we offer articles which, on account of their special merits or novelty we deem worthy of more than ordinary notice. The most special features of this department this year, to which we invite your careful attention, is the Yellow and Little Gem Callas, Water Plants, Liliun Opal, New Auratum Lilies, Olea Fragrans, Hardy Spider Lily, Shrubs, Cannas, etc.



THE YELLOW CALLA.

The Yellow Calla.

The Yellow Calla (*Calla Hastata*) is one of the rarest and most eagerly sought of all bulbs, and we have this year, for the first time, got a good large stock of large flowering bulbs to offer. They should be potted in the spring and they will start growth at once and commence blooming in a short time. The bulbs are strong and send up a rank growth of beautiful leaves and numerous flowers, which are a bright golden yellow with a black center. The color is one of the most beautiful shades of yellow seen among flowers, and the jet black center lends to the blossom a peculiar charm. Bulbs are very scarce and are as high in price now as they were six years ago, and are likely to be higher before they are lower. Fine flowering bulbs, \$1.50 each.

Dwarf Everblooming Calla.

It is our good fortune to have come into possession of this most valuable of all Callas. The following facts will convince any one of its great superiority over the old sort. It is of a dwarf habit and does not grow tall and scraggly like the old variety, but is strong and compact, with a great abundance of lustrous dark green foliage. It is a true ever-bloomer, its flowers appearing in great abundance both summer and winter when grown in pots, or it will bloom profusely all summer long in the open ground, and being potted in September will continue blooming without intermission all winter. The same plant will grow and bloom for years without once ceasing, and the quantity of bloom which a good plant will produce is astonishing. It is estimated that six plants of the old sort will not produce so many flowers in the course of a year as will one plant of this new dwarf variety. A large plant is hardly ever without one or more flowers, and its dwarf, compact habit makes it a much more desirable pot plant than the old variety. Its flowers are of large size and snowy white in color. All in all it is one of the most desirable plants we ever offered. The enormous demand for this Calla has so reduced our stock that only a limited number can be supplied. Price, \$1.00 each.

We can also supply the

Black Calla (*Arum Sanctum*), coal black. 85c. each.

Spotted Calla, spotted leaves. 20c. each.

Common Calla (*Ethiopicum*), fine plants. 25c. each.

Little Gem Calla.

This novelty has for the last year been one of the sensations among professional florists in both Europe and America. It is a miniature form of the Common Calla, growing only 8 or 10 inches in height, rank and robust, and producing all the year round large beautiful blossoms, which are borne on long stems well above the foliage. It is one of the most unique plants in cultivation and creates a perfect sensation wherever it is seen. Such a beautiful little compact plant bearing such large beautiful blossoms is a wonder to all who see it. Our stock is probably the largest in the country, perfectly pure and genuine, and we are pleased to be able to offer plants at a very low price. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.



LITTLE GEM CALLA.

Russelia Juncea.



A rare and unknown plant, suitable either for garden or pot culture, and requiring the same treatment as a geranium. In growth it produces numerous long wiry stems which are virtually leafless. Upon these stems and branches the flowers are borne. They are about the size of a Manettia, long trumpet shaped, and brilliant scarlet in color. These lovely blossoms are borne in wonderful profusion during most of the year. It is one of the easiest of all plants to grow, and is particularly valuable for baskets. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Floral Park Lawn Grass.

(Quick Growing).

Fine lawns, grass patches, or grass borders, add to the beauty of a place almost or quite as much as flowers. In fact, a certain amount of good grass is essential to the proper display of flower beds and borders. The next important thing to good grass sward is to get it quick. We have at last prepared a grass mixture which will give a good sward the first summer. It is the finest and quickest growing Lawn Grass ever sent out, and will give the greatest satisfaction. Price, 40c. per quart; \$2.50 per peck, postpaid. By express, per peck, \$1.50; per bushel (15 lbs.), \$5.00.



Achillea Grandiflora.

A new variety and greatly superior to the old one.

No flower is more worthy of a place in every garden in the land than this. It is a hardy perennial, the top dying down to the ground every winter. Its many branches grow to the length of two or three feet, resting on the ground and holding their great masses of flowers about a foot above the soil. A plant will produce hundreds and even thousands of flowers the first summer; but when established the second year we have had them with more than 5,000 perfect flowers on a plant at the same time. We give five reasons why this plant should be cultivated by EVERYBODY;

1st. It is perfectly hardy everywhere; and will thrive in any soil or situation, and will take care of itself.

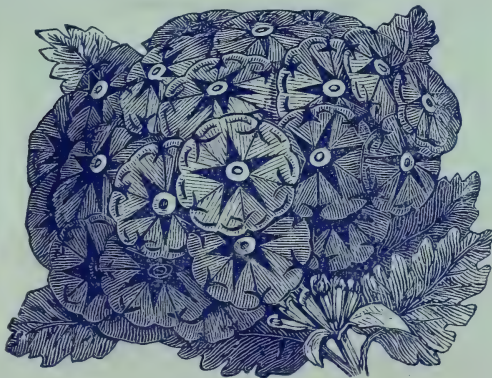
2d. It commences to bloom early in July, and is a perfect mass of beautiful flowers till frost.

3d. Its flowers are pure white, perfectly double, and produced in large sprays, making it one of the finest cut flowers for bouquets, vases, baskets, etc.

4th. For cemetery planting it is the most valuable of all flowers, as it is sure to thrive and bear its great profusion of snow-white flowers nearly the whole summer for years.

5th. Owing to its great vigor and hardness it can be planted in large quantity in any waste place, where it will produce a great abundance of beautiful flowers for cutting.

Price, 15c. each; 2 for 25c.; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00.



Childs' Prize Verbenas.

We shall grow and have on hand for sending out in May, a fine lot of vigorous seedling plants of these grand Verbenas (for full description see page 60). These plants are much more healthy and vigorous, and will give more and better bloom than cutting plants. This strain is also superior to any collection of named varieties—they are the best Verbenas to be had at any price. Price of fine plants, all colors mixed, 40c. per dozen; 3 dozen for \$1.00. All orders will be booked and the plants sent at planting-out time, in May.

Dwarf Everbearing Fig.

When we introduced the Otaheite Orange some years ago, we did not think that we would so soon have such a fitting companion for it as we now have in this Dwarf Everbearing Fig. Like the Otaheite, it bears profusely when very small, a foot or less in height, and is a most charming pot plant as it produces fruit nearly the whole year round. The smallest plants are sure to fruit, even if they are only cuttings, and the fruit is borne very abundantly, more so than any other variety we know. In quality it is the very best, being sweet and luscious. All who have ever eaten a fresh ripe fig direct from the tree know what a delicious morsel it is, others do not. The foliage is also handsome, and all in all it is a grand good pot plant, though it may be grown in the open ground south of Baltimore. Fine plants for fruiting first season, \$1.00 each.



Eucalyptus Citroides.

This is a shrub which grows to the size of a small tree, with elegant leaves, which are highly scented like a Lemon Verbena, only its fragrance is much stronger. As a pot plant, or shrub, for fragrant foliage, which may be cut freely for bouquets, etc., it is exceedingly valuable. In fact, we believe it will become a necessity when known, as it is better than anything of the sort heretofore known. The fragrance of its leaves is powerful and delicious. A most valuable novelty. Plants, 25c. each; Seed, 20c. per pkt.

RARE WATER PLANTS FOR TUBS and POOLS.

THE time has now come when most cultivators of flowers must have a few water plants to gratify their taste for odd and beautiful plants and add to the beauty of their collection of floral treasures. We have for two years been preparing to supply some of the best of these on a large scale, and at a price which is so low as to bring these gems into general cultivation. We can now fill orders for the following, all of which can be easily grown in small tubs of water, or in pools, streams or ponds. Of course most people, for lack of other facilities, must grow them in pans or tubs of water, either in the window or out of doors. All these here offered are admirably adapted to that purpose and will bloom freely, requiring but little care and attention.



Nelumbium Speciosum, this is the grand and ancient Egyptian Lotus, a water Lily of great size and surpassing beauty. It should be planted in rich mud, with one or two feet of water. It flowers the first season, its flower stems rising out of the water to the height of four or six feet, surmounted by a great double pink flower, which is a foot or more across. The beautiful rank leaves are often over two feet across. Either in ponds or tubs this plant is in bloom from July to October, and is an object of unsurpassed beauty. \$1.50 each; 4 for \$5.00. Ready in May. Seed 40c. per packet.

Nelumbium Luteum, exactly like *N. Speciosum*, except in the color of its flowers, which are a fine sulphur yellow and extremely beautiful. Seed, which if sown early, will bloom first summer. File a small hole through the shell of the seed and plant in a dish of water and soil and they will germinate in a very few days. Seed 20c. per pkt. Fine plants 75c. each.

Nymphæa Flava (Golden Water Lily), this is like the common white pond lily except its flowers are golden yellow, and its leaves are beautifully variegated with brown. It is perfectly hardy and a free grower. It is very fragrant and succeeds admirably in tubs. It blooms all summer and may be wintered in a cellar. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

Nymphæa Dentata (Night-Blooming Star Lily), this grand species opens its flowers at about 8 o'clock at night, remaining expanded until noon the next day. They are pure, pearly white, with petals expanded horizontally so that the flowers are perfectly flat like a star, thus differing from all other varieties. It possesses a most peculiar and agreeable odor, and its leaves are a very rich green with serrated edges. With ordinary culture the flowers will be six or seven inches across, while if given plenty of room and very rich soil, it will produce flowers fully twelve inches from top to tip of petals, and leaves twenty-five inches in diameter. Seedlings bloom the first summer. Seed, per pkt., 25c.



Nymphæa Zanzibarensis, it is impossible to impress upon any one the beauty of these grand blue and red African Water Lilies, the flowers of which are a foot across. Its rapidity of growth and profusion of bloom is marvelous. The first of July a little tuber, the size of a pea, was planted in a tiny tub, and in less than one month it commenced blooming and every day since it has had from one to three flowers open, of enormous size and the loveliest shade of blue, with yellow stamens. The leaves are also very handsome, of a rich, shining green and covered with brown spots. It will grow and bloom profusely in a small tub of mud and water, but the more room it can have the larger it will be. Start the tubers in a small dish of mud and water, and transplant to a larger vessel when necessary. They also grow quickly and freely from seed, coming into bloom in two or three months from the time of sowing. It is a most delightful plant which will surprise all with its great beauty, rapidity of growth and freedom of bloom. It blooms freely all summer either from seed or plants.

Zanz. Azura, lovely blue, fine plants. 75c. each; seed 25c. per pkt.

Zanz. Rosea, fine rosy red. Plants 75c. each; seed 25c. per pkt.



Water Poppy, (*Limncharis Humboldtii*), a charming and easily cultivated plant, with small, oval leaves, and large, showy flowers of a bright lemon color, standing a few inches out of the water and produced freely all summer. Easily grown in a shallow tub or pan, and will prove a great attraction. 20c. each. 3 for 50c.



The Water Hyacinth.

(*Pontedera Crassipes*).

A most Odd, Beautiful and Valuable Plant of Easy Growth.

One of the most remarkably curious and beautiful plants we have ever grown. Instead of growing in soil, it floats in the water, which it is enabled to do by means of its curiously inflated leaf stalks, which resemble bladders, or balloons filled with air. A large mass of feathery blue roots grow, downward, their ends entering the soil. It forms a lovely rosette of its curious, shining green leaves, and throws up spikes of the most exquisite flowers imaginable, resembling in form a spike of Hyacinth bloom, but as beautiful as many of the choicest and most costly Orchids. Each flower is as large, or larger, than a silver dollar; color, a beautiful, soft lilac rose, sparkling as if covered with diamond dust. The upper petal, which is the largest, has a large metallic blue blotch in the center, and in the center of that a small, deep, golden yellow spot. Can be grown in the open air in summer, and in the window in winter, in anything which will hold water. The most beautiful effect is produced by using a glass vessel of some sort, with shells and white sand so arranged in the bottom as to conceal a small amount of soil. In such a manner it will prove to be the most odd and attractive plant in your window; but in summer the most satisfactory result will be obtained by setting a tub in the sunniest place in your yard, put two or three inches of soil in the bottom, fill full of water, and drop the plant in. Keep the tub full of water, and the rapidity of growth, and beauty of bloom which you will get will delight you. This plant is so easily grown, so beautiful and unlike anything else in cultivation, that it will prove a rare attraction with anyone, and we are glad to be able to offer extra fine plants, which will soon bloom, at the very low price of 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Nymphaea Odorata Gigantea.

A gigantic form of the common White Pond Lily, recently discovered, and now offered for the first time. It is enormous in all its parts, the leaves being often two feet and the flowers eight inches across. The leaves are very thick and heavy with prominent veins beneath, and with edges curiously ruffled and turned up, and borne on stems as thick as one's finger. Flowers pure white, with a golden center three times as large as the common Pond Lily, and more cup-shaped, giving it a distinct appearance. The flowers also possess a distinct and charming fragrance. It is perfectly hardy, and a grand plant for tubs, pools, streams or ponds, and growing in company with the common variety looks like a giant among pigmies. We offer it very low in quantity so that anyone can afford to stock wild ponds or streams with it. Fine plants 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.00; 25 for \$4.00.



Parrot's Feather.

This consists of long trailing stems completely clothed with whorls of the most exquisite foliage which is finely cut. If planted in a water-tight hanging basket so the soil can be kept very wet, or water standing on the surface, it will trail down over the sides in a most charming manner. In a tank or lake it prefers shallow water and will run about over the surface in a charming manner. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Collection of Water Lily Seed

The following rare Water Lilies all bloom the first year from seed, and we will send the collection, one packet each of the 4 varieties, for only 50c.

Night-Blooming Star Lily, white.....	See page 22.
Nymphaea Zanzibarensis Azurea, blue.....	" " 22.
" " " Rosea, red.....	" " 22.
Nelumbium Luteum, yellow.....	" " 22.

The 4 packets of Seed for 50 cents.

The Strawberry Guava.

(*Red Guava Cattleyi*.)

A splendid plant for pot culture and one which bears great quantities of delicious fruit late in the fall. It has the flavor of the strawberry, and as a useful and beautiful pot plant it is very unique. It is the most desirable of the Guava family, being of a dwarf habit and bearing heavily when very small. It is sure to fruit well by the time the plant is a year old. The foliage is evergreen, thick glossy green, and when the plant is loaded with fruit it is a striking and beautiful object. Fruit the size of small crab apples, and very delicious and valuable for jellies. Plant a heavy bearer and perfectly adapted to pot culture, sure to succeed with anyone, and can be wintered in a cellar, but if kept growing it will ripen its fruit the year round.



STRAWBERRY GUAVA.

Five plants 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

CHILDS' SUPERB GLOXINIAS



Gloxinias.

The Gloxinia is a grand flower which does not receive proper appreciation in this country, owing no doubt to its high price, and the fact that the most beautiful strains have not yet been seen in general cultivation. We have, after considerable effort and expense, got together an enormous collection of the finest new blotched, spotted and margined strains. Without seeing them no one can appreciate their unrivaled beauty; they are of large size, beautiful shape, and profuse bloomers, the colors ranging from pure white to dark blood red, pink, blush, lavender, indigo blue, marbled, spotted and margined in a manner truly fascinating. Nothing makes a more lovely pot plant, and they are easily grown, it being necessary only to pot the bulbs in the spring in light rich soil, and after they are done growing and blooming in the fall, dry them off and store in a warm place over winter. In growing them from seed, the seed should be sown under glass and carefully tended. Seedlings bloom the first summer.

- Defiance**, large, pure deep scarlet. 50c. each.
- Grandiflora Alba**, large, pure white. 50c. each.
- Erecta Virolecaia**, grand blue. 50c. each.
- Emperor Frederick**, deep scarlet, pure white throat, enormous flowers. 50c. each.

The above four sorts for \$1.50.

Mixed All Colors, tigers, spotted, crassifolia, etc. A grand collection. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00. Seed 25c. per pkt.



*AMARYLLIS
FORMOSISSIMA*

Amaryllis Formosissima.

There is hardly a flower known to cultivation which has such a deep, rich, velvety crimson color—a color so intensely brilliant as this. It is a free bloomer, and succeeds well either in pots or the open ground, and blooms very soon after planting, often before its leaves start. We have such a large stock of this magnificent flower that we can offer large flowering bulbs at 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

LILIIUM SPECIOSUM "OPAL"



Lilium Speciosum Opal.

This most beautiful Lily is now offered for sale for the first time, although its fame is already world-wide. It is the most important new Lily which has been introduced since Auratum, and as that is the King, this is certainly the Queen of all Lillies. Its delicate beauty outshines all others, while its vigorous, hardy and free-flowering nature places it at the very head of the list. It is evidently a sport as it was first found in a large patch of Speciosum Rubrums some twelve years ago. Its great size and lovely color at once made it recognized as a prize, and it has been carefully cultivated and propagated to this time, although as yet only a few hundred bulbs can be sold. The plant is a strong, vigorous grower, as hardy and robust as an old Tiger Lily. Flower

very large, enormous, while its color is a pearly white, delicately shadowed with a soft pink blush, and freely spotted with dots of a deep rosy scarlet which stand out on the delicate surface of the petals like gems. The beautiful *L. Punctatum* is nothing in comparison to the regal beauty of this sort. The delicate frostwork on the inside of the petals is very pronounced and sparkling, and at the base of each petal deepens in color. Extra large bulbs; \$2.00 each; \$20.00 per dozen.

The Giant Paeony.

We have just received from Europe a finest stock of this sterling novelty. It is a Paeony which grows 4 to 6 feet high, and bears flowers nearly as large as a man's hat, which resemble a perfect rose. In fact the flower is the same shape, fragrance and exquisite satin-like pink color as Baroness Rothschild Rose. It is beautiful beyond description. Fine roots \$1.00 each, postpaid.

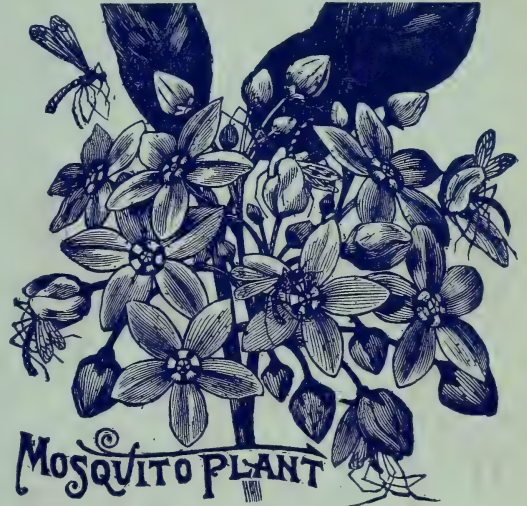


GIANT PAEONY



Hydrangea Red Branched.

This is the finest of all Hydrangeas, and a plant of the greatest beauty. It is a free bloomer, its panicles being of enormous size, and of a lovely bright, rosy color, and remain perfect for months. Its stems and branches are dark purplish red. As a specimen pot plant there is nothing finer, except *Canna Star* of 1891. They are two glorious plants. Fine plants of the true Red Branched Hydrangea, 50c.



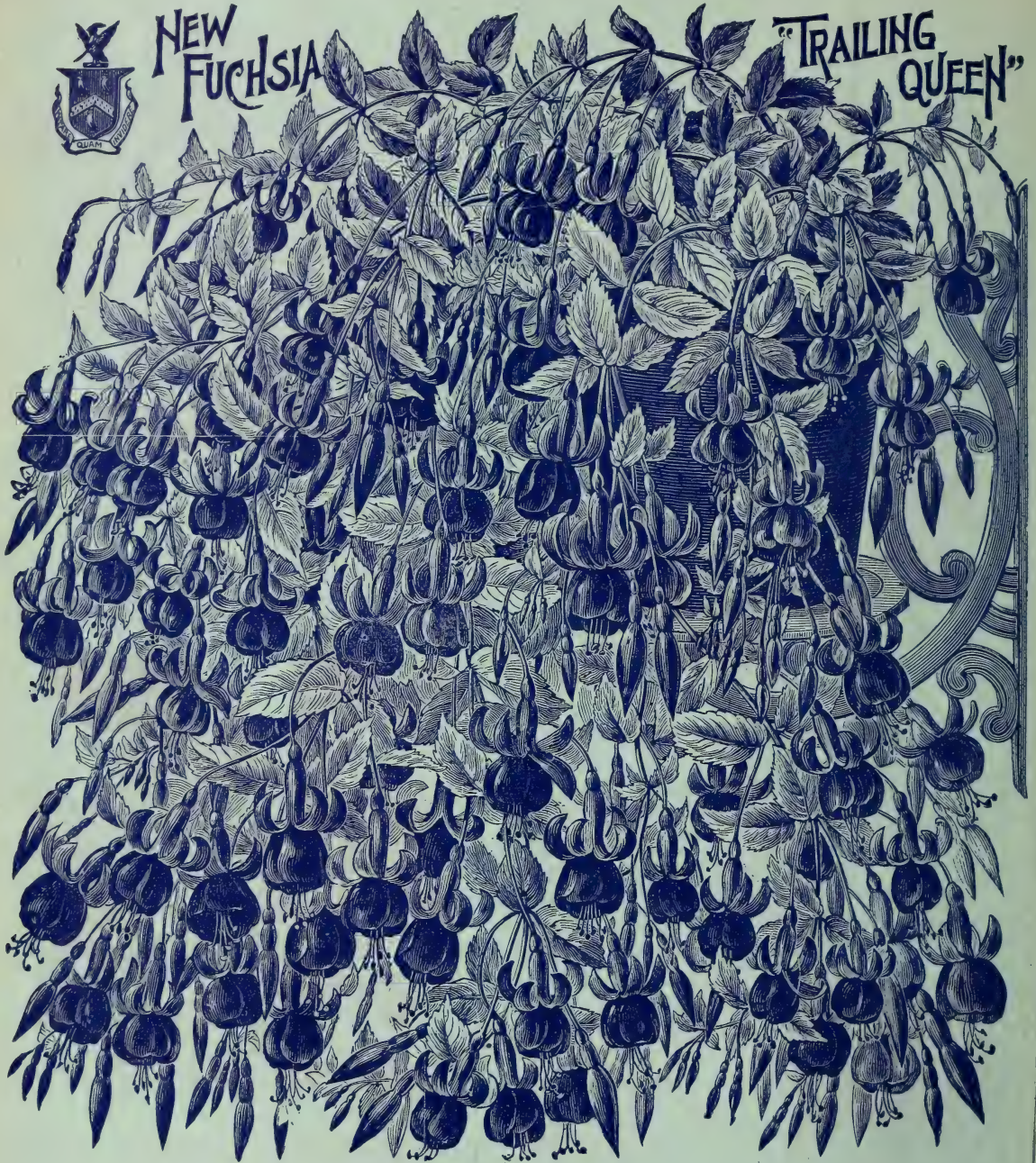
The Mosquito Catcher Plant.

It belongs to the milk-weed family, and is known, botanically, as *vincetoxicum acuminatum*. And this mosquito catcher is a real pretty, hardy herbaceous perennial, and well worth having for its beauty as a garden plant. It grows about 18 to 24 inches high, and forms a good bushy clump of somewhat tender shoots, that have opposite leaves and axillary loose clusters of starry-white blossoms that are borne abundantly. In the center of the flowers, in the clefts of the corona, is secreted a viscid juice which is peculiarly attractive to mosquitoes and some other flies; but woe be to the unwary, whoever dips his proboscis into the alluring liquid never draws it out again, for it is held fast, and no amount of tugging and plunging and buzzing will free the insect from its cruel captor. Mosquitoes often live for two days or more in this trap, but once caught they never escape. With us, this plant blooms freely all summer; and we have often seen sprays of bloom holding a dozen or more mosquitoes. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.



NEW
FUCHSIA

"TRAILING
QUEEN"



New Fuchsia, Trailing Queen.

(A Most Charming New Plant.)

This Fuchsia is an entirely new departure, differing from all other large-flowering varieties in its habit of growth, as it is a trailing vine. The young plants, as they commence growth, creep out to the edge of the pot, and then go trailing downward. It continues growing and branching in this way until the vines are four or five feet in length, and a solid wavy mass of the most elegant foliage and flowers. The leaves on the young growth are exceedingly handsome, being of a deep sea-green color, ribbed and rayed on both sides with dull crimson, and are very luminous and handsome.

The flowers are borne in large, drooping clusters, and are very large, long and graceful; buds, tubes and sepals being bright rosy-scarlet, while the corolla, when it first opens, is a deep, rich violet purple, changing the second day to a fine shade of crimson, both colors showing on a plant to great advantage. In the above cut our artist has endeavored to show the great beauty of the plant in bloom, but it hardly does one justice. A good plant will show hundreds of flowers at one time, and the effect of this graceful, drooping mass of foliage and flowers cannot be correctly portrayed. In the January number of the Mayflower a colored plate of it is shown, which is very good indeed. This charming plant is also the freest bloomer known, as it is profusely in flower spring, summer, autumn and winter, all the time, in this respect rivaling the famous Manettia Vine, and is destined to become more popular than the famous Storm King. Fine, vigorous plants, which will grow profusely, and bloom very soon. Price, 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.00.

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IPOMŒA PANDURATA,

THE HARDY, TUBEROUS-ROOTED MOONFLOWER.

THIS is one of the most important plants which we are bringing prominently before the public. Its great value will be apparent to all when we say that it is a most beautiful, rapid growing vine, producing a great mass of handsome and graceful foliage, and thousands of large white blossoms, larger and finer than the ordinary Moonflowers, and which keep perfect several days before fading. And further, that it produces great tuberous roots, something like a Dahlia, but much larger, which are perfectly hardy, living in the ground from year to year, and increasing in size and strength all the time. A large vine will have hundreds, and even as many as a thousand blossoms upon it at once. There is no doubt but that it will at once take the place of all large growing vines of the Ipomœa class, as it is so much more desirable than any others. It succeeds and grows finely in any soil or situation. Having an enormous stock, we offer large roots at the very low price of 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.



The Resurrection Plant.

A great curiosity. The plants, when dry, roll up into a ball, and can be laid away and kept in that state for months or years, to all appearances perfectly dead; but when placed in a saucer or vase of water, they, in a few moments, unfold and become green and beautiful, and make a very pretty plant as long as they are kept moist. Price, 10 cents each; 6 for 50 cents.



LEWISIA
REDIVIVA

Lewisia Rediviva.

A very curious and handsome hardy herbaceous perennial. Flowers, 4 inches across, very showy, being of a lovely pink color, with a white center. Should be planted in a sunny spot and well watered in extreme drouth. It will flourish admirably among roses, and is one of the very best of all flowering plants for rockeries. As a pot plant it is also a success, its large blossoms being exceedingly showy. It is a rare and curious plant, which is as yet almost unknown to cultivation. The roots may be kept perfectly dry for over a year, to all appearances dead, yet when planted they will immediately start growth and bloom. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



**SOLANUM
Solanum Azureum.**

That splendid climbing plant, Solanum Jasminoides Grandiflora, which we introduced a few years ago, has become a universal favorite. In this new variety we have a splendid companion to it. In growth it is robust and vigorous, climbing to a considerable height in a short time. Its flowers are a fine deep azure blue, and borne in large, dense panicles, and are extremely beautiful, and are produced most of the time during the entire year. It is a splendid pot plant as a climber for the window or conservatory, and it is also a splendid plant for the garden during summer. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Phlox Subulata.



This is sometimes called "Moss Pink," as it forms a mat of moss-like vine and foliage which in early spring is a mass of large showy blossoms. It is perfectly hardy and a most beautiful garden plant to have. It soon covers a large space, and is perfectly elegant. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Manettia Vine.

True Manettia Bicolor.

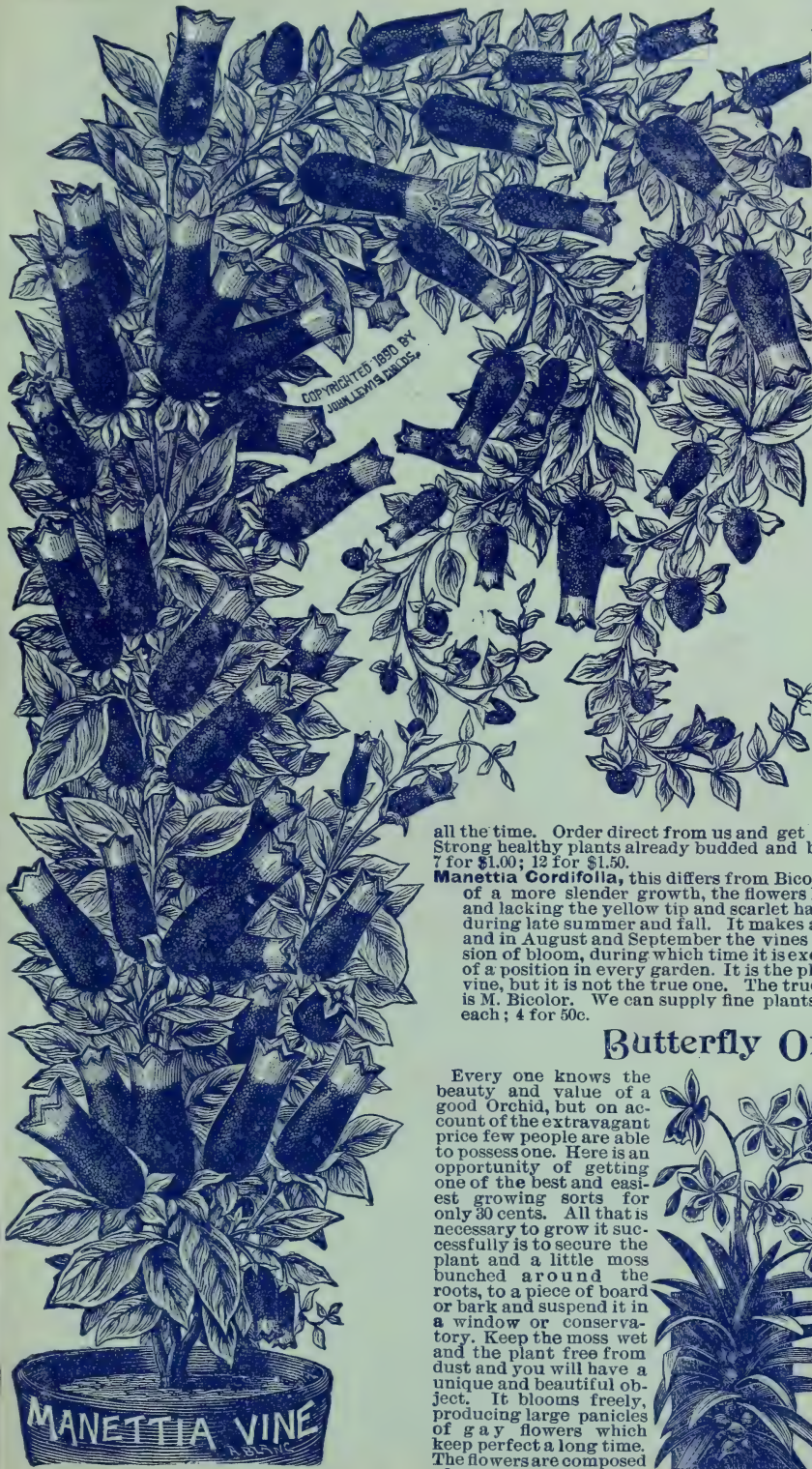
This is the most beautiful and desirable of all vines, as it can be grown either in the house or garden, and is full of bloom every day in the year. In the house it can be trained all around a window, and it will be a solid wreath of bloom both summer and winter. In the open ground during summer it will grow ten feet, branching freely, and covering a large space of trellis, arbor or wall, showing at all times thousands of its bright blossoms. The flowers are $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 inches long, and of the most intense fiery scarlet, shading off into a bright yellow tip; they are also covered with a scarlet moss or hairy substance, which adds much to their beauty, and each flower keeps perfect for weeks before falling. No plant is easier to grow, and it commences to bloom at once from the smallest cuttings, and continues to bloom most profusely at all times. There is not a day during its life that it is without flowers, if it has any sort of decent care. It being quite unknown and of such striking beauty, either for screens, baskets, vases, windows, trellises, stumps, etc., that it attracts the admiration of every eye. We have reason to believe that many people are offering the old MANETTIA CORDIFOLIA as MANETTIA BICOLOR. Cordifolia is very good in its way, but it blooms only two or three months in the year, while our Manettia Bicolor blooms

all the time. Order direct from us and get the true MANETTIA BICOLOR. Strong healthy plants already budded and blooming, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.50.

Manettia Cordifolia, this differs from Bicolor in all respects. The vine is of a more slender growth, the flowers longer and of a crimson color, and lacking the yellow tip and scarlet hairs of Bicolor. It blooms only during late summer and fall. It makes a fine growth during summer, and in August and September the vines are loaded with a great profusion of bloom, during which time it is exceedingly showy. It is worthy of a position in every garden. It is the plant generally sold as Manettia vine, but it is not the true one. The true, everblooming Manettia Vine is M. Bicolor. We can supply fine plants of Manettia Cordifolia at 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Butterfly Orchid.

Every one knows the beauty and value of a good Orchid, but on account of the extravagant price few people are able to possess one. Here is an opportunity of getting one of the best and easiest growing sorts for only 30 cents. All that is necessary is to secure the plant and a little moss bunched around the roots, to a piece of board or bark and suspend it in a window or conservatory. Keep the moss wet and the plant free from dust and you will have a unique and beautiful object. It blooms freely, producing large panicles of gay flowers which keep perfect a long time. The flowers are composed of several colors which are delicate and butterfly like. Strong plants of blooming size, 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.



Rare and Beautiful Succulent Plants.

Succulent plants are such as have peculiar fleshy stems or leaves like Agaves, Sedums, Cacti, &c. These here offered are some old sorts which are not often seen, but which are very attractive and desirable, and easily grown. They will add much beauty and novelty to any collection of plants.

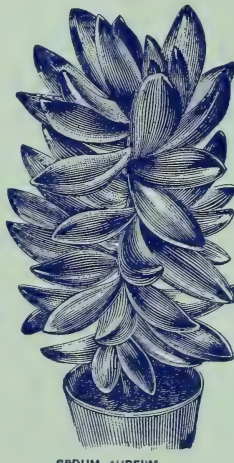


Crassula Cordifolia.

A fine plant with heavy dark green, heart-shaped leaves, and producing in winter panicles of reddish colored flowers. It is highly esteemed by those who possess it, and is a most beautiful and constant winter bloomer. For cutting and wearing it is superb. 15c. each.

Sedum Aureum.

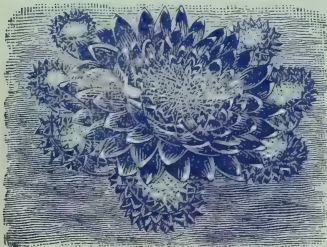
A most beautiful plant, its round, fleshy leaves and stems being of a beautiful amber or golden color. As a pot plant or for bedding out in summer it is a beauty. 20c. each; 2 for 50c.



Kleina Articulata.

This is also an odd and desirable succulent plant. The stems are round and fleshy, and from one-half to one inch thick, and covered with a slight growth of small heart-shaped leaves. It is one of those odd and curious plants known to botanists, but which are very seldom seen in cultivation, but which are always novel and attractive. It blooms freely during winter and is very pretty. 25c. each.

Gobweb Sempervivum.

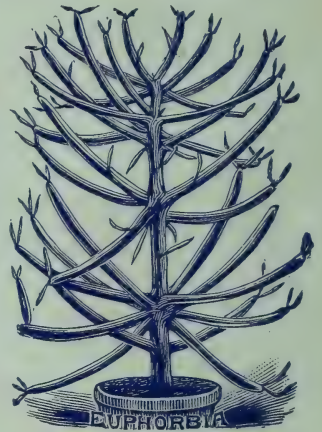


COBWEB SEMPERVIVUM.

A lovely little plant, its dark green leaves forming a perfect rosette. From all sides of the main plant beautiful little offsets grow which produce an interesting and pretty effect, especially as each offset is covered with a cobweb-like substance. One of the most curious and interesting plants we have. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

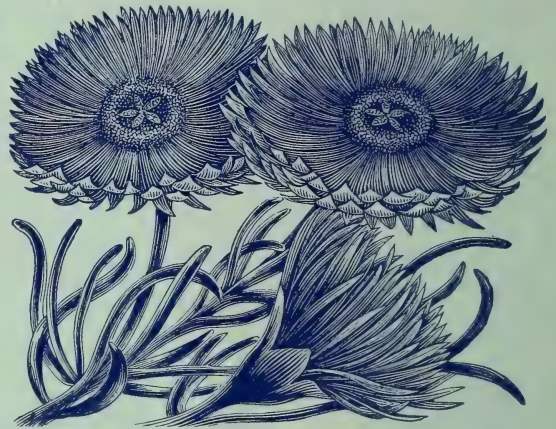
Euphorbia Candelabra.

A leafless plant and one which is very rare and odd. It is a rapid grower attaining a height of 6 or 8 feet, and branching freely like a tree, its leafless stems making it an odd and curious plant. It is highly prized by people who are fond of such oddities among plants. Any one who loves Cacti will be delighted with this plant. It grows as freely as a geranium. 25c. each.



Sedum Pulchellum.

A fine decorative plant, and though not new it is almost unknown. The branches covered with a dense growth of foliage droop from a pot or basket most gracefully and are beautiful all the year round. In winter the plant blooms, showing fine clusters of golden flowers which are exceedingly pretty, and borne in the greatest profusion. An extra fine plant which will please all. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.



MESEMBRYANTHEMUM SPECTABILE.

Mesembryanthemum Spectabile.

This is in every sense of the word a lovely flowering plant. It is of a trailing habit and especially fine for hanging pots or baskets. The foliage is round and fleshy and the blossoms very large, 2 to 3 inches across, and exceedingly beautiful. The brilliant magenta of one and the snowy whiteness of the other, are both rare and beautiful shades. The plant blooms more or less during the year, but are at their best during winter and spring. The flowers are produced in great number and closely resemble some of the rarest Cacti.

Pure White, clear and beautiful. 20c. each.

Brilliant Magenta, a rare and beautiful color. 20c. each.

One plant of each color for 50 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER.—The above 7 beautiful succulent plants, omitting Sedum Aureum, for only \$1.00.



LILIUM AURATUM MACRANTHUM.

Two Grand Lilium Auratum.

We have succeeded at last in getting from Japan a good stock of the two rarest and grandest varieties of *L. Auratum*, and we are glad to be able to offer them at a very low price, considering their great value and beauty. Pen cannot describe or brush portray the fascinating loveliness and grandeur of these two sorts. The *Mayflower* of December, 1892, showed a good colored plate of them, but even that failed to do them justice.

Macranthum.—This grand variety of *L. Auratum* produces bulbs of great size which throw up a growth of remarkable strength and vigor. The flowers are pure ivory white, with a golden band through each petal, and numerous golden yellow spots. It is a beauty and unlike any other. Large bulbs, \$1.00 each.

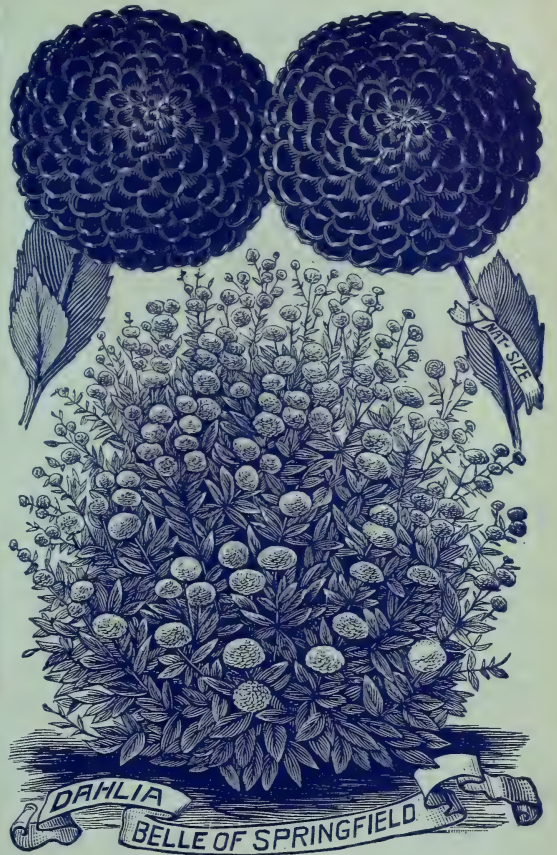
Rubro Vittatum.—Flowers of enormous size, pure snow white thickly spotted with crimson and with a wide dark blood-red band through the center of each petal. Its great beauty is a marvel to all who behold it. Very fragrant. Large bulbs, \$1.00 each.

Common Auratums.—We can supply fine bulbs of the ordinary *Lilium Auratum* at the following low price: 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.50.

Special Offer.—For only \$2.00 we will send one bulb each of *Macranthum*, *Rubro Vittatum* and three common *Auratums*, 5 in all.

Farfugium Grande.

A beautiful decorative plant for pot culture, bearing an abundance of beautiful green leaves which are elegantly variegated with large yellow spots. It will stand lots of abuse, and thrive in shade as well as sunlight. 40c. each.



Dahlia Belle of Springfield.

This new Dahlia is entirely unlike any other sort in cultivation, and for delicate beauty and freedom of bloom superior to them all. Plant a dwarf grower, branching freely and bearing in endless number beautiful little blossoms $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches across and as double and perfect as anything can be. It is not uncommon for a plant to have as many as 400 blossoms open at a time. We have a photograph of one taken at Springfield, Mass., showing almost 500 flowers. It is such a stout, bushy grower that the plants do not require staking. The flowers are intense scarlet in color and borne on long, graceful stems, and their great number produce an effect which is truly enchanting. The *Mayflower* is about to issue a colored plate of it. Fine plants 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.



FARFUGIUM GRANDE.



New and Particularly Desirable Shrubs.

Azalea Nudiflora—A beautiful, hardy Azalea which early in spring is literally covered with a mass of large, beautiful pink blossoms borne in clusters. The shrubs bloom when only 1 or 2 feet in height, but when fully grown they reach a height of 6 to 10 feet. It is one of the grandest flowering shrubs in cultivation, perfectly hardy in any situation, and a free grower. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Azalea Calendulaecea.—This is, in growth and general habit, much like the above, but its flowers are larger and golden yellow flamed with crimson. This rivals the finest hot house Azaleas and is a grand garden shrub, perfectly hardy, and when in bloom nothing but flowers can be seen. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Rhododendron Maximum.—This charming late blooming Rhododendron is in every respect a jewel. It blooms in July, after the others have all faded. Its flowers are of great size and borne in great clusters, and a plant in bloom presents a sight which is indeed attractive. Color, light pink shaded with white. It is a hardy and robust grower and a shrub which will give great satisfaction. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Kalmia Latifolia (Mountain Laurel).—It is difficult to describe the beauty of this gem of our mountains. Suffice it to say that it has not a peer among flowering shrubs. Its great masses of delicate white and pink blossoms, borne in beautiful clusters, possess a degree of beauty peculiar to itself. Nothing else like it in cultivation. In fact, this shrub is an object of beauty the whole year, as its lovely glossy green foliage is ever green—as beautiful in winter as it is in summer. It is a free grower, hardy and robust. Plant it by all means. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



SWEET PEA SHRUB.

Sweet Pea Shrub (*Robinia hispida*).—This is the first general introduction of this most lovely of all small flowering shrubs. From articles concerning it which have ap-

peared in the *Mayflower* it is already known and eagerly sought after. The *Mayflower* is about to publish an elegant colored plate of it. The foliage and growth of the shrub is very beautiful, and it blooms profusely when less than a foot in height. When fully grown it reaches a height of about three feet. Its flowers are the size and shape of the Perennial Pea borne in large masses and are of the most lovely brilliant rose color. They appear in profusion during May and June, and to some extent during July and August. The amount of bloom which one of these little shrubs will carry is astonishing, and the sight presented is one of remarkable beauty. Much more beautiful than Sweet Peas, which it resembles. Perfectly hardy and succeeds in any situation. It is a gem in every respect. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Mahonia Aquifolia—A shrub which should be generally grown on account of its elegant foliage, which is a bright luminous green all summer, and during autumn and winter it changes to very intense colors like the most beautiful autumn leaves. The leaves remain fresh and bright all winter, not dropping until spring, if at all. 15c. each; 6 for 50c.

Special Offer.—For only \$1.00 we will send one each of these six lovely Shrubs.



Olea fragrans.

(Fragrant Olive.)

For some years we have been trying to get hold of a large stock of this superb plant that we might offer it to our customers, and be able to supply the great demand for it which is sure to follow. At last we have succeeded. What is it you may ask. Well, in the first place, it is the *sweetest flower that blooms*, and in the second place it belongs to the Olive family, and is a perpetual bloomer, never without flowers either summer or winter, though the plant may not be a foot in height. The flowers are small creamy white and borne in dense clusters. Each individual blossom, though no larger than the head of a shawl-pin, has more sweetness than the largest and most fragrant Lily. Its fragrance is also delicate and charming—really the finest of all flowers, and you cannot pass a plant without noticing it. It succeeds well in any window, and is a plant which all should possess. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.



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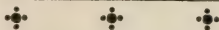
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NEW



COLUMBIAN CARNATIONS.

PERPETUAL BLOOMING.



The Carnation has been greatly improved of late years; but the most wonderful stride which has been made in that direction is shown in the new varieties here offered. They are so much larger, finer, and in every respect superior to other varieties, that we have discarded all sorts previously introduced, for none are really worth growing when compared with these. Their superior merits are:

- 1st—ENORMOUS SIZE, the largest ever seen among Carnations, these here shown being natural size by actual measurement.
- 2d—REMARKABLE BRILLIANCY OF COLOR delicate shading and texture
- 3d—GREAT FRAGRANCE, being the strongest and most delicious clove flavor.
- 4th—DESIRABLE HABIT, being of dwarf, stout growth, and splendidly adapted to pot culture.
- 5th—FREEDOM OF BLOOM, the plants being constantly loaded with their magnificent large blossoms.
- 6th—GREAT HEALTH AND VIGOR, succeeding where others fail, and thriving under any amount of neglect and abuse.

These Carnations are really novelties of wonderful merit; and in spite of all we can say, those who grow them will be surprised at their wonderful magnificence and general good qualities.

SEA GULL—Raised by E. G. Hill, and awarded a prize by the New York Horticultural Society as being the **very best seedling Carnation**. Flower enormous in size, and pure snow-white in color. Greatly superior to any other white variety. No. 4 on colored plate.

HOOSIER—Large flower, like Sea Gull, but of a beautiful magenta-red color. A most magnificent sort in every respect. Many consider it the finest Carnation that ever bloomed. No. 5 on colored plate.

NORMA DEE—Fine deep, rosy pink. A color of exquisite beauty, and a flower of great fragrance. It is also extra large, and the freest bloomer of all Carnations

DAVIE—Fine orange-yellow; beautifully speckled, mottled and marked with rose and scarlet. No. 1 on colored plate.

FIRE FLY—Deep intense scarlet. The most brilliant color yet seen among Carnations. No. 3 on colored plate.

BABY RUTH—A most delicate and lovely color, being a soft, light satin pink, delicate and beautiful beyond description. No. 2 on colored plate.

AMERICAN BANNER—This was introduced two or three years ago, and is an extra fine sort. We offer it, with this collection, on account of its novel and beautiful color, being pure white and bright scarlet, beautifully striped and variegated.

PRICE.—We have grown these fine new Carnations in great quantity, and are able to make the following very low prices. They are such elegant novelties that we wish all of our customers to plant them. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; the 7 for \$1.00. Those who wish them in quantity can have any of the varieties at \$1.50 per dozen.

SEED.—We can supply seed of this class of Carnation at 25 cents per packet.

THE FLORAL KINGDOM.

A grand book, 10½ x 8½ inches, weighing 4¼ pounds; elegantly bound, and containing 476 pages, with many beautiful cuts and colored plates. It describes the different species of flowers and shrubs, giving both their common and scientific names; and in connection with each is given several beautiful and applicable verses, selections from various authors. About 50 pages are devoted to cultural directions, under the head of "Culture of Favorite Plants." Under the head of "Neglected Beauties," 11 pages are devoted to useful and beautiful flowers which are little known or cultivated. "Structure of Plants" occupies 9 pages more. This gives information in regard to the growth and formation of roots, stems, leaves and blossoms, including a chapter on "Chemistry of Plants," "Divisions of the Vegetable Kingdom." "Systems of Classification," "The Influence of Floriculture," are also important parts of this valuable book.

This rare book was originally published in Chicago, and sold only on subscription, at \$2.00 each. We have now bought the exclusive right to publish it, and offer several hundred of the original volumes at \$1.00 each, by express, or \$1.35 by mail, post-paid.



TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIAS

Tuberous Rooted Begonias.

The tuberous rooted Begonias are among the most beautiful and desirable of all bulbous plants. We have both double and single flowered sorts and many fine colors, all of which are bright and pleasing. As summer flowering bulbs in the garden they are not always a success unless planted in partial shade, and protected from severe winds and storms. In such a situation they are likely to give unbounded satisfaction. They do exceedingly well if planted in cold frames, which can be partly covered with shaded glass. They are, however, grown most commonly as pot plants either in conservatories or windows or on protected verandas. As pot plants for summer blooming, few bulbs, except the Gloxinia, which can be treated in exactly the same way, will prove so satisfactory. The bulbs can be potted in April, May or June, in good, rich soil, and growth and bloom will commence almost immediately, and their profusion of bloom during the summer will be surprising if they continue in a healthy condition. When the foliage dies down in September or October, they should be set away in a warm dry place to remain until planting time the following spring. Our strain of both double and single is superb, and must not be judged by ordinary bulbs. Those who plant our Begonia bulbs will be astonished at the great size and brilliancy of the flowers.

- Single White, fine pure color, large flower, 20c. each.
- Single Yellow, extra fine, 20c. each.
- Single Scarlet, fine bright shade, 20c. each.
- Single Pink, beautiful soft shade, 20c. each.
- Single Dark Crimson, 20c. each.

For only 60c. we will send one each of the above 5 fine sorts.

- Single, Mixed, all Colors, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00.
- Double White, extra fine, 35c.
- Double Scarlet, fine large flower, 35c.
- Double Yellow, very beautiful, 35c.

The 3 double varieties for 85c.

- Double Mixed, all colors, a magnificent strain of finest large flowered double sorts. They are perfectly magnificent. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Gasteria Maculata.

A succulent plant closely allied to the Aloe, and one of much beauty. The thick dark leaves are variegated with white spots. The flowers are borne in racemes a foot long, and are bright scarlet in color, and always appear in the winter. It is a very curious and rare plant, and one that will give great satisfaction. 50c. each.



GASTERIA.

The Miniature Spider Lily.

This beautiful new flower comes from Mexico. The bulbs are the size of a Zephyranthes and require the same treatment in every respect. They send up spikes bearing clusters of delicate white flowers like the Spider Lily, but smaller. Very fragrant and beautiful. 35c. each.



HARDY SPIDER LILY.

The New Hardy Spider Lily.

This is a great acquisition. It has all of the charms of the Summer-flowering Spider Lily, which we offer on page 106, besides being perfectly hardy, and when once planted it is a joy for a lifetime. It will soon form a large clump of bulbs which will make a show of bloom far exceeding anything else of the sort. Flowers pure white and of great beauty and fragrance. Bulbs perfectly hardy and may be left in the ground all winter. This is really one of the very choicest of all hardy flowering bulbs. Price, large flowering bulbs, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.



Canna, Star of 1891.

The Everblooming Canna.

Two years ago there arose in the horizon of the floral world a star which will shine brightly in all future years. A very dwarf Canna which will show bloom every day in the year, its flowers being borne in great compact panicles, often as large as a man's hat, and of the most intense fire scarlet color, rayed and bordered with pure gold, is a novelty of an entire new departure—a new garden flower and a new perpetual blooming pot plant of unsurpassed grandeur—in short the STAR of 1891.

As a pot plant for blooming, both summer and winter, this Canna is a novelty of immense importance. It has already become recognized as the most valuable and important flow-

ering plant among those who know it. It is utterly impossible to have a plant which is more easily grown or more effective in bloom. The enormous panicles of flowers which are borne continually even on plants only a foot or two in height and in small pots is, indeed, marvelous, and the intense color of the blossoms makes such plants objects of the most effective beauty. We honestly believe it to be the finest of all winter-blooming plants, and as a garden flower nothing can surpass it. A colored plate of it is shown in the November Mayflower. Fine plants 30c. each. 4 for \$1.00.

CROZY'S CANNA SEED.—We can supply seed of Crozy's prize strain of new flowering Cannas. Started under glass and planted out by the first of June, they will soon commence blooming and continue till frost. They are of all colors, hardly any two alike, and all very fine. It was from this strain of seed that STAR of 1891 and CHILDS were raised. All colors mixed, 15c. per pkt.



DANNA STAR OF 1892.

Magnificent New Cannas.

The following are the most beautiful and desirable Cannas for general culture. They are among the very finest flowering plants for summer display in the garden.

Star of 1892—(New this year.) A seedling from Star of '91, raised by Mr. Wm. Falconer. It is exactly like Star of '91, except in color, which is a deep blood scarlet, darker and richer than the parent. A great acquisition. \$1.00 each.



CANNA FLAECIDA.



CANNA CHILDSI.

Childs (The Tiger Canna.) A seedling raised by us three years ago, from Cozy's Prize Seed, and is of a dwarf habit. Its foliage is rank and of a light green shade. The plant begins to produce flowers when very small, and continues blooming very freely till frost. It also flowers freely in pots either winter or summer, and is very beautiful. The flowers are borne in large, compact panicles, are of large size and perfect shape, with broad petals, and of a bright, glossy, yellow color, thickly spotted with crimson. The most strikingly beautiful of all Cannas, except Star of 1891. There are no grander flowering plants in cultivation than these two Cannas. Strong plants 25c. each, 4 for \$1.00.

Ehemanni (Fuchsia-Flowered Canna.) As an ornamental foliage plant it is superb, and also as a blooming plant it is one of the grandest. Plants grow 5 to 7 feet high, producing large racemes of bell or trumpet-shaped flowers, 4 or 5 inches long, drooping like a Fuchsia, which are of the most lovely brilliant rosy-pink color. As a specimen plant for grandeur and beauty it is fine. It grows freely and commences to bloom early, and is an object of great beauty until frost, the foliage closely resembling that of a large, luxuriant Banana. Price 25c. each, 5 for \$1.00.

Flaccida (The Orchid Canna.) A dwarf Canna, growing but 2 to 3 feet high, with large, elegant, light-green leaves, which are very beautiful. The flowers are lovely deep canary yellow, of very large size, and closely resemble some of the finest Orchids. 20c. each, 3 for 50c.

Noutoni (Giant Cardinal Flowered.) A new sort of great beauty, having gigantic spikes of large cardinal-colored flowers, which are exceedingly brilliant and striking, reminding one of the blooms of the cardinal flower on a gigantic scale. It blooms much more freely than Ehemanni, and is, in fact, never without a good spike of flowers, which show to great advantage, and can be seen for a long distance. 20c. each; 7 for \$1.00.

Robusta. The finest of all foliage Cannas. Plants grow 7 to 10 feet high, with enormous leaves 3 feet in length, and of a dark purplish-brown color; exceedingly odd and ornamental. A superb bedding plant for foliage effect. When grown in a bed with other sorts it should occupy the center. 20c. each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Adolph Wieck, another improved Canna, with green leaves, and very large brilliant scarlet flowers, almost as large as a gladiolus. Exceedingly handsome; flowers in the greatest abundance. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Madame Crozey. Elegant large flower, bright scarlet bordered with pure gold. Dwarf habit, free bloomer. Grand. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only \$2.00 we will send the above eight grand sorts and one Star of 1891, nine altogether.

Mixed Cannas, for extensive bedding, 80 sorts mixed, either tall or dwarf varieties. \$3.00 per 100, by express.



Chrysanthemum
"MRS. J. LEWIS CHILDS."

FOUR GRAND NEW CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

- Mrs. J. Lewis Childs**—We are pleased to be able to offer this superb new Chrysanthemum, of our own raising, as the *finest white variety that has yet been offered*. It is a strong, vigorous grower, so much so, in fact, that plants lifted from the open ground in September, and taken inside, produce as fine flowers as most sorts will by careful pot culture all summer. The flowers are of enormous size, of the incurved Japanese type, nearly as round as a ball, and as white as snow, sometimes with a shadowy tinge of blush. The flowers are borne the entire length of the long branches, are of great substance, and unsurpassed beauty. 25c. each.
- Geo. W. Childs**—The best deep self-colored crimson variety in existence; flowers massive and of immense size, with broad stiff petals, rich dark velvety crimson, without a shade of brown or chestnut; stems strong and erect, covered with foliage. The sensation of the year. 25c. each.
- W. H. Lincoln**—Pure bright yellow; immense double flowers, slightly incurved. This is the finest of all yellow varieties. Nothing can compare with it. 25c. each.
- V. H. Hallock**—Rosy pearl, of a marked waxy texture. The rosy color deepens towards the center. Flowers six inches in diameter. Petals convex, rounded downwards half their length from center, changing to a beautiful curved form. Few outer petals, drooping towards the stem in a most graceful manner. Center slightly twisted incurve. Flowers last for weeks, and the form is always good. 25c. each.
- Special Offer**.—We consider the above to be the very finest crimson, white, pink and yellow sorts in cultivation. We will send one fine plant of each for 75c.



Chrysanthemums.

We have reduced our list of varieties from several hundred down to the following, which are the cream of all. Every one is a rare and grand sort. No plant has been so greatly improved during the past few years as the Chrysanthemum; and surely there is not a more satisfactory one in cultivation at the present time. Those who have never seen these grand new sorts in bloom can form no idea of their great beauty. For blooming in October and November, no plant can compare with them. For both outdoor and indoor cultivation they are ahead of all flowers. They can be kept in pots all the year, or placed out during summer. In a sheltered situation they will bloom finely in the open ground; but they produce the best results when potted in September, and brought inside to bloom, where they will make a fine display for two months. After blooming they should be placed in a cellar, or pit, until spring. We have made Chrysanthemums a great specialty, and hope to extend their culture, as we know they are always more than satisfactory. In fact, blooming as they do in November, when all flowers are scarce, makes them a necessity to every cultivator of flowers. They are of the easiest culture, and absolutely sure to do well. Try our Chrysanthemum seed. It will grow and bloom elegantly the first year, producing a grand display of choice forms and colors.

Price, 15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents; 10 for \$1.00. Or the entire collection of 41 superb sorts, \$4.00.

Ada Soauding, (I) lower half of flower a rich, deep pink, shading in upper portion to the purest pearl-white. Petals very large.

Antoniuss, (A) a fine canary-yellow Pompon.

Black Douglas, (P) a large flowered Pompon, which is almost black in color, each petal having so small a gold tip that the compact double blossoms look as though they were sprinkled with gold dust.

Bertha Flight, bluish white, great size and beauty. As double as a Dahlia.

Cardinal Sunshade, the flowers are single, formed of long quilled petals, flattened at the ends, and of a deep dark cardinal color. The flower is the largest of all Chrysanthemums, being often a foot across.

Gullingford, (C) enormous flower of the darkest and richest crimson. The best dark-colored sort.

Hartry, bright, rosy carmine, shading very light towards ends of petals and center of flower, which is six inches across; petals somewhat convex, and slightly incurving towards center; outer row drooping.

Domination, (J) large pure white, incurved. One of the finest for specimen flowers.

Eugene Mezard, (J) fine dark Amaranth. A glorious color.

Edouard Audigier, (J) one of the finest of recent introduction; of enormous size; in color a rich velvety purple-violet, with a silvery reverse.

M. E. Widener, the grandest of all yellows, being of great size and as double and perfect as can be. Color clear brilliant yellow, as round as a ball, and keeps a long time.

Harry May, Flower very large and deep, full double; forming, when well opened, a massive sphere; color, deep old gold, with occasional veins of reddish; petals very broad and thick, spoon shaped.

Ivory, unexcelled for pot culture or cutting; pure white flower, of exquisite form and finish. Has been shown in grand shape at all the recent exhibitions; it is especially noticeable for its grand globular form, its dahlia like petals and absolute purity of color.

Improved Leopard, very large double flower, deep reddish violet, freely spotted pure white. A great improvement in the old Leopard.

Isabella Bott, (I) enormous sized incurved flower, of snowy whiteness, and round as a ball. One of the best.

Klota, one of the very finest of all. Flowers of great size, compact, and as round as a ball, and of the deepest golden color. A most pleasing variety.

Koko, (A) a giant-flowered anemone; petals rosy-lilac; center creamy-white; excellent.

Louis Bonamy, (A) lilac, gold center; large, and very fine.

Lillian B. Bird, (J) large flower, nearly a foot across, and composed of long quilled petals. Color pinkish or flesh.

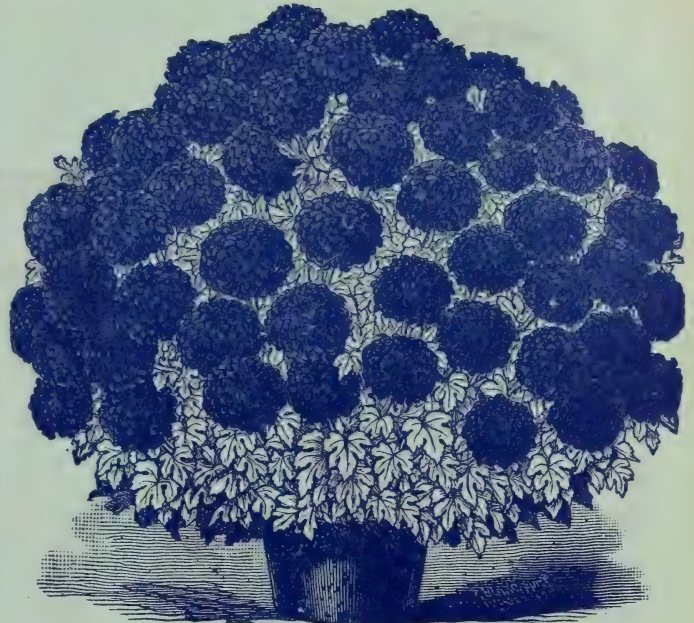
Lady St. Clair, (I) a superb sort, with flowers as round and as white as a ball of snow. Elegant.

L. Canning, a grand pure white sort, of peculiar beauty. Extra fine for cutting and for specimen pot.

Mrs. Fottler, (J) double, long-pointed petals; opening flat at first, but developing into a large feathery bloom of great beauty. The color is clear, soft rose.

Mad. C. Audigier, pure rosy pink; a lovely color, and flowers are of the largest size.

Mrs. L. C. Madeira. Color, bright orange yellow; form, quite globular; the petals are like large, closed quills, and are of such substance that the cut blooms last an indefinite length of time. A splendid grower, very free in



SPECIMEN CHRYSANTHEMUM.

bloom; stems strong; flowers very double and compact. **Marvel**, A very large, flat flower of regular rosette shape; ground color is of a pure waxen white, and on this is a large irregular blotch of wine color. No two flowers similarly marked. The contrast in color is very beautiful.

Miss Ada McVicker, a plant of strong habit, producing immense creamy white flowers with broad, thick, reflexed petals. A grand variety, and one of the best for either specimen blooms, bush plants, or standards.

Mrs. Langtry, (J) an enormous incurved Japanese; flowers one foot across; outer petals long and quilled; inside ones flat, and beautifully incurved; color pure white;

Mrs. Frank Thompson, (J) large, incurved Japanese, with broad petals, lined and mottled deep pink, with silvery back; very distinct and beautiful.

October Beauty, one of the earliest varieties, flowering by October 1st. Medium size, good substance, lasting color; at first dull pink, changing to white.

Princess Meletia, (P) lovely bluish white; good size, very double and perfect, graceful, and on long stems. This is one of the most lovely sorts for general culture. Do not fail to have it.

Rohallon, Japanese reflexed; long twisted reflexed petals; beautiful dark chrome yellow; very distinct.

Roslyn, a superb clear Mermet rose pink; petals thick and heavy, cup shaped, solid to the center; immense in size, having been exhibited 11 inches across; habit the best; stems stiff and erect, covered with the most luxuriant foliage; the best pink in commerce.

Rose Queen, (J) a self color, of bright rose amaranth, very distinct shade. Flowers broad cup-shaped, five inches across. One row of petals quilled half way, and then flattened on outer ends. Profuse bloomers.

Val d'Or, (P) the finest golden-yellow Pompon; flowers in golden trusses, round shape, and the most glowing yellow.

3 Beautiful Ostrich Plume Chrysanthemums.

These are the unique hairy sorts recently introduced from Japan. They are very beautiful.

Mrs. Alpheus Hardy, or Ostrich Plume, (J) beautiful beyond description. Enormous flowers, with wide incurved petals, which are pure white and covered with long, fine hairs. Resembling an ostrich plume. 20c. each.

Louis Boehmer (Pink Ostrich Plume)—A gorgeous pink variety, with broad petals, which are covered with long, fine hairs. A splendid companion to Mrs. Alpheus Hardy, though by far the most beautiful of the two. 20c. each.

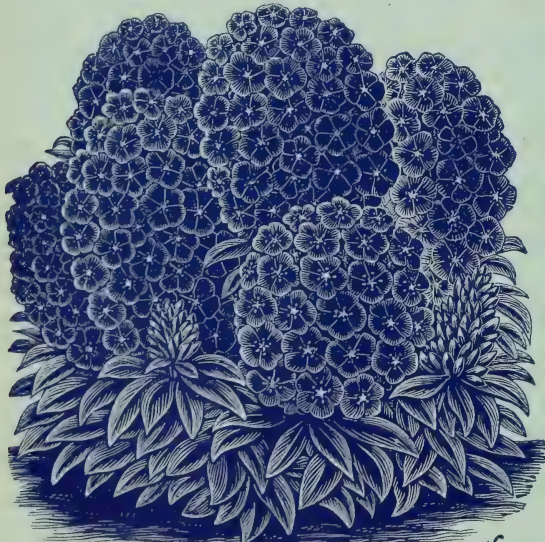
W. A. Manda. The New Golden Yellow Hairy Chrysanthemum. Flower very large, of a clear golden yellow color. The plant is of vigorous growth, and the flower is borne upright on a stout stem. This is the grandest introduction from Japan made during the past year, and no collection can afford to be without this variety. 20c.

The above 3 Ostrich Plume varieties for 50c.



Statice Armeria (Thrift).

This is a splendid hardy perennial plant, forming compact tufts of narrow green foliage, which makes it particularly valuable for edging. The flowers are a clear bright pink, and borne in clusters on tall stems. It blooms all summer long, and is a very pretty, desirable and useful flower. It increases rapidly by division. Plant a good lot of it for borders. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.; 100 for \$5.00.



DWARF GIANT-FLOWERED PHLOX

Giant Flowered Dwarf Phloxes.

These are really the very finest of all Perennial Phloxes. They are of low bushy growth, bearing enormous compact panicles of bloom. The individual blossoms are of great size, and the colors most brilliant. They are perfectly hardy and bloom all summer, year after year.

Athels—Beautiful rosy scarlet tinged with salmon. Very bright and showy.

Snow Cloud—White, suffused with purple. Extra fine.

Charlotte Salson—White suffused with pink, deepening towards the center to bright vermilion.
LaSolle—Enormous flower and truss; individual flowers being 1 1/4 inches across. Color, light crimson tinged with lilac, and shaded lighter towards the center.
Diplomat—Beautiful light lilac with crimson eye. Very large flower and truss.
Eclair—Deep bright purplish crimson. Extra large.

Price, 20c. each; the 6 for \$1.00.



Lily of the Valley, for Winter Blooming.

Here we offer strong imported pips of this lovely flower which have been grown especially for winter blooming. They can be potted, six in a four-inch pot, and placed in a cool place till needed for blooming, then bring them out to the light and warmth, and give plenty of water. They will at once send up their beautiful green leaves and sprays of lovely white, sweet-scented blossoms. Like other bulbs the flowers are much larger and finer when raised in the house than in the garden. 6 for 30c.; 12 for 50c.; 30 for \$1.00.

We can also supply the following scarce and rare varieties of Lily of the Valley. One each of these three rare sorts, 50c.:

Double White—Fine double white. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Rose Colored—Fine rose colored. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Variegated—Leaves beautifully striped. 25c. each; 3 for 50c.



Grevillea Robusta.

A new hard-wooded shrubby plant for pot culture from Australia, the nature of a Hydrangea. It is a rapid grower from seed, and produces elegant large wavy Palm-like leaves. It is, in fact, more beautiful than some of the best Palms. A most beautiful plant. Seed, 15c. per pkt. Plants, 20c. each.

GREVILLEA ROBUSTA



Sansevieria Zealanica.

A New Decorative Plant of Great Beauty-

A beautiful plant, splendidly adapted for the decoration of drawing-rooms and halls, as it stands drought and dust with impunity. The leaves, as shown in cut, grow to a length of 3 to 4 feet, and are beautifully striped crosswise with broad white variegations on a dark green ground. It is a rare and beautiful plant which should be abundantly grown for positions out of the reach of sunlight, where other plants will not thrive. When you consider that it may be placed in any position in any room and do well, its great usefulness is at once apparent. It has a singular beauty for decorative purposes which other plants do not possess, and is useful both winter and summer. Though grown mainly for the beauty of its foliage, it is by no means an insignificant flowering plant. It blooms usually during May and June, sending up great plume-like spikes a foot or more in length. The flowers are numerous and composed of long, narrow petals, which recurve gracefully, and are of a creamy white color. It is difficult to find a more unique or ornamental plant than this, especially when it is in bloom. For vases or baskets it makes a fine center piece, and it grows splendidly out of doors during the summer months. Price of strong, healthy-growing plants, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

SANSEVIERIA
ZEALANICA



Eucharis Amazonica.

A rare bulbous plant which throws up tall flower scapes bearing large, snowy-white, star-like blossoms of great beauty. It is a plant which is very scarce, and highly prized by those who possess it. Fine flowering bulbs, 40c. each.

A Great Decorative Plant



IT is with much pleasure that we are able to offer several rare Tropical Fruits, especially adapted for pot culture in the window or conservatory, North, or for open ground culture in the Southern and Pacific States. Growing rare Tropical Fruits opens up to the cultivator of plants an entirely new channel, and one that will afford interest and pleasure beyond conception. Our stock of everything offered is large and very fine, and we can recommend these varieties for pot culture. They will all succeed admirably.

Guava, Cattleyi.

This is the most desirable of the Guava family, being of a dwarf habit and bearing heavily when very small. It is sure to fruit well by the time the plant is a year old. The foliage is evergreen, thick glossy green, and when the plant is loaded with fruit it is a striking and beautiful object. Fruit the size of small crab apples, and very delicious, and valuable for jellies. Plant a heavy bearer and perfectly adapted to pot culture, sure to succeed with any one, and can be wintered in a cellar, but if kept growing it will ripen its fruit the year round. 20c. each. 3 for 50c.

Figs.

This delicious fruit can be grown even at the extreme North with assured success. When grown in pots or tubs they are safely wintered in any cellar, and grow and fruit very freely during summer in the open air. As far north as New York the Fig is hardy in the open ground, if planted in a sheltered situation and protected over winter. They usually bear some fruit the first summer after planting, and will give a good crop the second year, either in pots or the open ground. Nothing is more luscious than Figs used fresh from the trees, and when eaten with cream, like strawberries, form one of the most delicious dishes. For pickling, drying or preserving they are also very fine. Their large, luxurious leaves make them very attractive when growing, and, in any one's possession the Fig Tree is an interesting object. In pots they should be pruned to a bushy habit, and not allowed to get too large for convenience or looks. Give them a rich, sandy soil if possible. We have a very fine variety particularly adapted to pot culture. Mixed varieties, all fine sorts, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

Brown Turkey, large, oblong, dark brown; rich and delicious flavor; very productive, often bearing three crops in a season. A two year old tree of this sort bore over 200 fine Figs this season. 75c. each.

Melon Pear, or Pepino.

The fruit is the size of a goose egg, or even larger, and very much of the same shape. The color is lemon or pale orange, with streaks or waves of bright violet, the whole making a fruit unrivaled in beauty. The interior of the fruit is a solid pulp, similar to that of a pear, also of a

pale yellow color, and of a taste much like a banana, only sweeter and very juicy, and which has besides a most charming acid. Plants bloom when small, but do not form fruit until quite strong. With us, small plants put out in June fruited in September, and grew to a large size. Price of fine plants for fruiting this summer, 25c. each; 6 for \$1.00.

Banana, Cavendishi.

The rarest and finest of all Bananas. It is a dwarf and particularly adapted to pot culture, growing but five to six feet, while its grand leaves are four to six feet long, and often two feet broad, of radiant green, mottled and spotted with red, looking as though they were spattered with blood. Fruit large, yellow, ripens very early; of the most delicious quality and borne in immense clusters, reaching to the ground. It is the finest ornamental plant that can be grown, Musa Ensete being very inferior beside it. It makes one of the grandest of specimen plants for bedding out during summer. Every lover of choice plants should possess one. 75c. each.

Pine Apple, Sugar Loaf.

The Pine Apple succeeds well with pot culture and can be grown and fruited in a good window, conservatory or greenhouse, and is at all times a beautiful plant. This is the finest flavored of all Pine Apples and so dwarf that it grows and fruits in a five inch pot when but a year old. We have them now, which have not been potted a year and which are bearing fine fruit. It is a most beautiful and interesting plant to grow and one with which every one can succeed. 50c. each.

Passiflora Edulis.

This plant is very rare and expensive, even in the tropics, but we have succeeded in propagating a large stock of it, and can offer it at a very low price. It is a large, rapid growing vine, producing an abundance of lovely flowers, which are followed by fruit the size of a goose egg, and of a bright purple color when ripe. The fruit is very fragrant and delicious to the taste, cool and refreshing. It is a plant worthy of general culture, not alone for its fruit, but for its great abundance of lovely flowers. It sells usually at \$1 each, but we can supply strong, healthy plants at 20c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER—For only \$3 we will send by mail, post-paid, 1 fine plant each of the 6 grand new Tropical Fruits, viz.: Guava, Fig, Melon Pear, Banana, Passiflora and Pine Apple.



WINE BERRY
SYRUP

Child's Great
JAPANESE WINEBERRY.

H. M. Wolff, Litho., New York, N. Y.

Childs' Great Japanese Wineberry.

This magnificent fruit, which was discovered by Prof. Georgeson, in Japan, sent to this country and introduced by us three years ago, is now acknowledged to be one of the most valuable fruit novelties ever introduced, and our claims for it have been more than realized in every part of the country—hot or cold, wet or dry. That it is the most desirable, hardy and profitable small fruit for any climate or soil, there is no longer a doubt. Realizing the enormous demand that will follow our reduction of price, we have prepared to supply, this spring, more than 1,000,000 fine plants of the genuine stock, grown from the original seedling plants.

DESCRIPTION.

Growth and Hardiness.—It belongs to the Raspberry family, is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining the height of 4 to 6 feet, and is *perfectly hardy* in all positions without protection. It is in fact more hardy and vigorous than any Raspberry or Blackberry. It stands alike the cold of northern winters and the heat of southern summers, without the slightest degree of injury. Its leaves are of the darkest green outside, and silvery white underneath. The young shoots and branches are covered with reddish brown hair or moss, which makes the plant odd and handsome.

Fruit.—The fruit is borne in large clusters, often 75 to 100 berries in a bunch. These berries are, from the time of formation and bloom, until they ripen, enclosed in a "burr," which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe, the "burr" opens, exhibiting a large berry of the brightest, light, glossy scarlet, or sherry wine color. The "burs" and stems are covered with a heavy reddish moss *like a Moss Rose bud*, giving the plant a most unique and beautiful appearance. The flavor of the fruit is entirely different from any other berry, being very sprightly, sweet and juicy, having no disagreeable sour, but a delicate and luscious flavor peculiar to itself, and superior to other berries. The seeds are very small and no more objectionable or noticeable than the seeds in strawberries, which gives this berry another point of great superiority over raspberries or blackberries.

Free from Worms and Bugs.—It is absolutely free from all insect ravages. Worms cannot crawl up the stems and branches, owing to the silky moss or hair with which they are covered. Owing also to this or some other reason the plant is shunned by all the destructive tribes of insect pests. It is a pleasure to eat a dish of these berries, knowing that there are no worms or bugs mixed with them.

For Canning and Preserving.—For canning or preserving, the Wineberry is greatly *superior to any other fruit*. It is the only fruit which will retain its fresh, sprightly flavor after being cooked, and for cooking in any form there is nothing which can compare with it. It also makes the most delicious jelly.

For Syrup and Wine.—The Wineberry makes a syrup which, for flavoring is superior to all other fruit juices. As a flavor for soda water it is delicious and novel. It will make more wine from the same bulk than any other fruit, and good judges have pronounced it the most delicious wine ever tasted. For invalids, and in cases of sickness, it is superior to any other wine or tonic, creating strength and a relish for food, where all else fails. We predict that it will soon become the leading wine producing fruit, especially medicinal wines of high quality.

Time of Ripening and Productiveness.—The fruit commences to ripen early in July and continues in bearing for a long time. It is the most prolific berry known, the bushes being literally covered with its large clusters of luscious fruit which are very easily gathered. Owing to their novelty, superb flavor and great beauty they sell more readily and at far better prices than any other berry. It is propagated from the tips like Cap Raspberries and Dewberries.

Price.—First-class, vigorous plants for fruiting first year, by mail postpaid, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1; 15 for \$2; 25 for \$2.50; 50 for \$6; 100 for \$10.

We can also supply 2-year-old plants from open ground at 40 cts. each; 3 for \$1; 7 for \$2. They are superior to the above only in one particular, namely they will probably produce more fruit the first summer; after that the other plants are just as good or better.

Seed.—The Wineberry grows freely from seed, and produces strong, vigorous plants, which fruit abundantly the second year. You can get a fine lot of plants very cheaply in this way. Seed will germinate best if it can be allowed to freeze after sowing. Or it may be soaked well in warm water before sowing. Fresh seed, per pkt., 15c.; 4 pkts. for 50 cts.

SELECT SPECIALTIES IN FLOWER SEEDS.

CHILDS' SPECIAL HIGH GRADE STRAINS.

IT WILL be noticed that we do not offer every variety of flower seed known to cultivation, it being our policy to keep only the best sorts, such as will prove most successful and satisfactory in all parts of the country. No garden has room enough for a tenth part of the kinds generally offered, and we believe we can be a valuable guide to our customers by offering only such sorts as are really the best and of which we can furnish especially choice strains—in general far superior to the usual grades. Ours is, therefore, a SELECT and SPECIAL list. SELECT, because it contains only the cream of all sorts, and SPECIAL, because the strains offered are, in nearly every case, improved ones, such as we have perfected on our own grounds at Floral Park or found on our travels among the great gardens of the world.

Our seeds must not be confounded with the usual mercantile grades. A visit to our place during the summer months will convince any one of the great superiority of our high grade seeds over those usually sold. They have been worked up to such high perfection and are so carefully selected and saved, that many varieties which we can buy at any seed house in Europe for 10 or 15 cents per ounce, costs us one dollar or more per ounce to grow. Therefore, we repeat, DO NOT CONFOUND OUR HIGH GRADE SEEDS WITH THE USUAL MERCANTILE GRADES, WHICH ARE GROWN CHEAP, SOLD CHEAP AND ARE IN EVERY SENSE OF THE WORD CHEAP AND POOR. Our seeds are cultivated with a view to attaining the highest possible mark of perfection, and to supply a class of people who want nothing but the very best.

Annuals or Seeds Which Flower the First Season.

On this class of flowers the garden is dependent for most of its best summer display. The list of varieties we offer has been selected with great care, with a view to offering only the most desirable kinds. For instance, we have thoroughly tested all the different kinds of Asters, and find those which we have offered to be the best in all respects; and so on through all the list.

In sowing seed, very pretty effects are produced by massing various colors. Take, for instance, the Phlox; sow circular or straight rows of the different colors side by side, and the contrast is charming and especially desirable for large beds. For small masses it is better to sow the mixed colors. If several kinds of seed are sown in one bed, the tallest like Salvias or Zinnias, should be in the center, and the lowest, like Verbenas or Portulaca, on the outside, with intermediate between. A bed of Poppies alone make a most brilliant mass of color. The same can be said of asters, Calliopis, Eschscholtzia, Dianthus, Portulaca, Petunias, Zinnias, etc. A bed of large ornamental foliage plants is a grand sight. As a rule, any of the seeds offered in this department may be sown in the open ground as early as corn can be planted, or they may be started earlier in hot-beds, frames, pots or boxes, if desired, and transplanted in the garden when danger of frost is over.



ANTIRRHINUM TOM-THUMB

Antirrhinum (Snap Dragon.)

Bears very beautiful spikes of gay-colored flowers, and should have a place in every garden. They usually survive the winter and flower even better the second than the first season. They are quite easily propagated by cuttings, and, if rooted in the fall they make elegant pot plants for winter and early spring bloom.

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| Tall, all colors, mixed..... | Per pkt. | 5 |
| Dwarf, | | 5 |
| Tom Thumb, mixed colors, only 8 inches high, of dwarf compact habit, thickly studded with spikes of brilliant flowers. It is the best of all Antirrhinums, and one of the most showy garden or pot flowers. Its colors are many and brilliant, orange, scarlet, yellow, rose, white, maroon, striped, etc. It is truly a superb flower. | | 10 |
| Tom Thumb Striatum; very beautifully striped with exceedingly brilliant colors..... | | 15 |



ANCHUSA CAPENSIS.

Anchusa Capensis.

A hardy annual of more than ordinary beauty. It grows about two feet high, branching freely and bearing a profusion of the most lovely flowers, similar in all respects to the Forget-me-not, though the blooms are much larger and of finer color. It is always taken for a beautiful, large-flowering Myosotis, and for bouquets and cut flowers it is indeed superior to it. Its color is a deep, clear, brilliant blue with a pure white eye; one of the rarest and most lovely shades of that color. It blooms early and continues all summer. Per pkt..... 10



BED OF ASTERS

Aster.

The numerous forms of the Aster, and the great variety of rich colors of its perfectly double flowers, make it a leading favorite. For a late summer and fall display it has no equal. No garden should be without a good variety of these beautiful flowers. They are very easily grown, succeeding admirably in all kinds of soil, producing a display of richly-colored double blossoms of which any one can be proud. Do not fail to plant a good variety of these grand flowers.

Per pkt.

- New Rose**, plants of this variety grow large and strong, and bear from 50 to 100 fine double flowers of large size and great beauty. 25 finest colors mixed..... 10
- New Rose Pure White**, very handsome..... 10
- New Rose Dark Red**, a superb color..... 10
- New Rose Blue**, contrasts finely with the above..... 10
- Truffaut's Peony-Flowered**, mixed colors. A beautiful and favorite variety. Flowers large and fine..... 10
- Reine des Halles**, a beautiful strain, which are so hardy and robust that when sown in the open ground in May they bloom in July, three weeks sooner than any others. Very valuable. Mixed colors..... 10
- Washington**, mixed colors; flowers are enormous size and very double and of unsurpassed beauty..... 15
- Dwarf Chrysanthemum-Flowered**, mixed colors; very fine large flowers..... 10
- Dwarf Bouquet**, mixed, very dwarf and pretty..... 10
- Imbrique Pompon**, mixed, fine, perfect and double blossoms in great masses; superb..... 5
- Giant Emperor**, this usually throws up one straight stalk on which is borne one flower of mammoth size; very fine, mixed..... 10
- Harlequin**, a new dwarf strain of great beauty, the petals of the flowers being very irregularly colored, and the same plant often shows a great variety of blotched and streaked flowers. It is one of the latest to bloom, and is particularly valuable on that account..... 10
- Shakespeare**, very dwarf, each plant being a perfect bouquet. Many colors, mixed..... 10
- Comet**, a deep rose-colored variety of the new tribe introduced last season, with very large and extremely double flowers which have twisted and quilled petals like Japanese Chrysanthemums..... 10

- Quilled German**, mixed colors. Plants strong and branching, flowers regularly quilled, with a single row of outer flat petals, which are often a different color from the center. A very beautiful Aster..... 5
- Victoria Needled**, a peculiar and beautiful Aster, flowers being large and double and formed of needle-like quills. Very unique. Many fine colors, mixed.,. 15



ASTER, DWARF VICTORIA.

- Dwarf Victoria, Mixed Colors**, the plants are half dwarf, about one foot high, beautiful in form and growth, healthy and vigorous. The flowers are of the largest size, perfectly double, and the most lovely rosette form, while the colors are of the most delicate and beautiful shades..... 20



- Per pkt.
- White Wave**, the most beautiful and perfect Aster grown. It is of dwarf, compact habit, and produces its flowers in great number. The blossoms are of great size; perfectly double to the center and of snowy whiteness. Either for the garden or pots, this magnificent Aster beats all others. The cut is a perfect likeness of a plant in bloom..... 20
- Crimson Wave**, like the above, except in color..... 15
- Triumph**, scarlet, changing to a lake crimson. This is undoubtedly the most beautiful and most perfect of all dwarf Asters, both in the habit of the plants and in the form and beauty of the flowers. These average from two and one-half to three inches in diameter, and are of faultless Pæony form, all petals being beautifully incurved. It blooms in great profusion, changing in color as it opens..... 15
- Lemon Gem**. We find the color hardly decided enough to be called yellow, yet it is the nearest approach to it yet seen among Asters, and is really a lovely soft yellow tinge, in itself extremely beautiful, and unlike any other Aster. Flowers very large and double, and plant of a dwarf habit, compact and showing its elegant blossoms to great advantage..... 15
- Multiflora**, a new strain growing one foot high, and producing flowers in such profusion that the plant is a solid pyramid of bloom; large, double blossoms and extra fine colors; mixed..... 15
- Mignon**, a new white Aster of great beauty. Plants about fifteen inches high, very bushy and prolific; flowers of good size, pure white reflex petals and very double..... 10
- Lilliput-flowered**, a charming sort, each plant producing nearly a hundred lovely button-like flowers, double and perfect, and of many fine colors. A real gem.... 5



ASTER, PYGMÆ.

Pygmæ, mixed colors. This is one of the most beautiful little gems we have ever seen. The plant is very dwarf, and forms a beautiful tuft of leaves close to the ground, surmounted by a pyramidal cluster of

Per pkt.
 bright, perfect, double flowers. The whole plant in itself is a charming bouquet. The great beauty of a border or bed of these plants of various colors is better imagined than described. They are also gems for small pots and thrive splendidly. Choicest seed of about ten fine colors, mixed..... 10
Special Offer.—For \$1.50 we will send one packet each of these 25 fine Asters.



ALYSSUM, LITTLE GEM.

Alyssum.

The Sweet Alyssum is one of the most fragrant and useful of all annuals for bouquets and floral work. Sow seed very early in open ground and it will soon bloom.

- Sweet, pure white**..... 5
- Little Gem**. In this distinct variety the plants are of very compact spreading growth; they attain only three to four inches in height, but a single plant will completely cover a circle twelve to fourteen inches in diameter. They begin to bloom very quickly from seed, the plants bearing profusely white quite small. They soon become densely studded with beautiful miniature spikes of pure white flowers, in wonderful profusion and of delicious fragrance. More than three hundred perfect spikes of flowers in full bloom at one time, have been counted on a single plant..... 10



AGERATUM.

Ageratum.

A highly ornamental class of free-flowering plants which are useful for pot culture as well as the open ground. The dwarf varieties make splendid borders for beds, as they are compact and always loaded with flowers.

- Little Gem**, dwarf and compact; a perfect mass of blue flowers all the time..... 5
- Little Dorrit**, white; dwarf and compact; a splendid companion to the above..... 5
- Lasseauxi**, fine rose color..... 5
- Swanley Blue**, beautiful large-flowered sort; fine azure blue. A splendid bedding or pot plant..... 10
- Canary**, fine dwarf, light canary yellow..... 20



BALSAM. CHILDS' CAMELLIA-FLOWERED PERFECTION.

Childs' Perfect Balsams.

Our new Camellia-flowered Balsams are, without doubt, the finest in the world. Their flowers are of gigantic size, and so double and perfect that they resemble Camellias, and are borne in such wonderful profusion that we have counted from 500 to 600 blooms upon a plant at the same time. Every plant will produce fine double flowers. During the last five years we have received from every state and territory enough letters commending these Balsams to fill a large volume. Few garden flowers give better satisfaction than good Balsams, though we admit that poor ones are of very little account. We know how hard it is to raise good seed, and how little good seed is sold in the country. We also know that those who plant the seed we grow and sell will admit that they never before realized the great beauty of good Balsams.

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| White , magnificent. The best white Balsam, being very large, of perfect form, and pure color..... | 10 |
| Pink , splendid deep color..... | 10 |
| Scarlet , very bright and showy, being an exceedingly clear and fine color..... | 10 |
| Striped , white and purple; very beautiful..... | 5 |
| Variogated , scarlet and white; very handsome..... | 5 |
| Lavender , beautiful buds like Tea Roses, and a delicate and charming lavender color..... | 10 |
| Light Pink , very delicate, (Apple Blossom)..... | 10 |
| Fancy Spotted, Mixed , crimson, purple, magenta, etc., all spotted white, and very fine..... | 10 |
| Light Lemon . This is the most beautiful Balsam we have ever sent out. The color is entirely new, being a beautiful light lemon or creamy shade. Flowers very large, double, and perfect, and borne in great profusion..... | 15 |
| Preferred , new and splendid. The flower is very large, double and perfect; white, tinted with delicate lavender. The tint is so delicate and shadow-like that it looks as though it was reflected on the flower from something else. The plant is of stout growth, with only a few branches, and the leaves are so small and few that the blossoms show to great advantage. The stems being at all times crowded with flowers, they are really immense spikes of bloom instead of branches..... | 10 |
| <i>One paper each, of above ten kinds, 50 cents.</i> | |
| Mixed Colors , of all the above, and many others, making the finest Balsam mixture ever sent out..... | 10 |

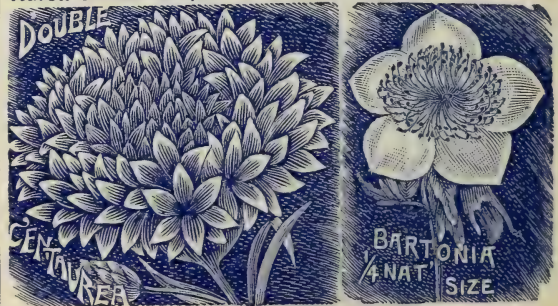


QUILLED BELLIS. **DOUBLE BELLIS.**
Bellis (Double Daisy.)
 The beautiful little Daisy is indispensable for cool, shady places, pots and frames. With protection they will stand the winter and greet us in the early spring with a profusion of gay flowers. They bloom beautifully in the house during winter and spring, when cultivated in pots, and we highly recommend them for this purpose. In the garden treat them like Pansies.
 Per pkt.
Double, Mixed Colors, white, pink, rose, etc. 10
Double, White, pure in color, and profuse in bloom.... 10
Longfellow, double, dark crimson; new and fine..... 10
Quilled, a lovely new strain, with beautiful quilled petals. Flower very double and perfect. A great acquisition.
 All colors, mixed 10



Brachycome.
 Sometimes called Swan River Daisy. It is a dwarf, bushy plant, covered all summer with a profusion of beautiful, daisy-like blossoms, which make a great show. The colors are blue and white, delicate shades, and contrast finely. Seed can be sown early in the open ground, and they will soon be in bloom. It is a lovely little flower. It is a splendid pot plant, especially in winter, blooming very quickly from seed.
All Colors, Mixed..... 5

Bartonia.
 A grand annual, which commences to bloom in a month from the time of sowing the seed in the garden, and continues all the summer in great profusion, growing twenty inches high, and branching freely. Flowers large, saucer-shaped, of brilliant, glossy-yellow color. The numerous fine web-like stamens make the flower look as though shrouded in a mist of gold-dust. It is one of the most desirable and easily grown of all garden annuals.
Aurea Grandiflora, fine..... 5



Gentaurea Cyanus, Double.
 This was a leading German novelty last year, and it created considerable stir, as a double form of the old popular Corn flower was considered to be a great thing. It is, indeed, very pretty, but not more than one-half the plants will produce double flowers. All colors, mixed..... 10



Candytuft.

A pretty hardy annual. It blooms freely and produces fine effects, and is particularly valuable for bouquet making and cut flowers. Sow early in the open ground and it will soon be in bloom. The Tom Thumb is exceedingly fine. Per pkt. All Colors, mixed..... 5
 Pure White, splendid for floral work..... 5
 Rocket, white flowers, borne in pyramidal spikes..... 5
 Dark Crimson..... 5
 Tom Thumb, mixed colors; very dwarf, 4 to 6 inches high, compact and free-flowering; new and splendid. 5
 Empress, a new, pure white Candytuft, forming a dense, bushy, pyramidal plant, which is a mass of snowy flowers for a long time. We consider it the most desirable Candytuft in cultivation and are sure that all who grow it will be delighted with its chaste beauty. 10

Gallioipsis.

Many of our most showy flowers are slighted because they are common and grow anywhere without trouble or care, almost like weeds. One of these is the Gallioipsis or Coreopsis. Were it a new thing just introduced, it would be considered a novelty of rare excellence, or were it difficult to rear it would be highly prized. But as it is the poor little annual with its abundance of showy flowers, its graceful and charming habit, willing to grow for any one in any situation, and with neglect, has to beg a home in many gardens that should be proud of it. Seed should be sown in the open ground quite early in the spring and the plants thinned out to six inches apart.

Dwarf Compact, Mixed Colors, a new and beautiful dwarf strain; splendid, profuse bloomers..... 5

Golden Wave, for a mass of bright golden color this is probably the most effective of all annuals. Plant very bushy and compact, reaching two feet in height and covered from July to October with hundreds of beautiful golden blossoms with small dark centers. When grown in rows or masses the effect is very striking. It is indeed, a wave of gold. Seed can be sown in the open ground very early, or transplanted. It is one of those flowers which will grow in any situation, for anybody and always be greatly admired..... 10

New Double, the advent of this new double Gallioipsis will be hailed with joy. The single ones have for years been leading garden favorites, and this, the first semi-double, or double form, is truly a novelty of more than ordinary merit. The flowers possess all the rich colors of the single sorts, and are borne in profusion. Sow in the open ground early; they will soon commence blooming, and continue all summer. It was one of our leading novelties last year..... 10



CALLIOPISSIS, GOLDEN WAVE.



Calendula.

These are now among the most beautiful and popular garden annuals. Sow seed early in the open ground and they will bloom profusely from June until the ground freezes. Fall frosts do not injure them. They can be potted in the fall and if placed in a sunny window will not be without flowers all winter. The blossoms are very large and perfectly double.

Mixed Colors, all fine double sorts..... 5
Meteor, very double; petals small and each one marked with two shades of yellow; very effective..... 5
Whirlpool, since the introduction of the charming Meteor, all Calendulas have become very popular, both as garden flowers and for cultivating in pots for Fall and Winter blooming in the house. For both of these purposes this new sort must now take the lead, as its flowers are about twice as large as any other (often four inches across), and perfectly double to the center. The plant is also very dwarf in habit, and produces its enormous blooms very freely..... 10



CHRYSANTHEMUM, CARINATUM.

Chrysanthemum.

The great and growing demand for the annual varieties has brought Chrysanthemums into general favor. The colors have the appearance of being laid on with a brush, and for this reason they are frequently called "Painted Daisies," and are indeed charming. Sow seed early in open ground and they will bloom profusely all summer.

Carinatum Hybrids, mixed colors, elegant..... 5
Carinatum, Hybrids, double, mixed colors..... 5
Inodorum Plenissimum, dwarf and free flowering, very double and pure white; elegant for pots..... 10
Golden Feather, grand new sort with bright yellow foliage and charming blossoms, 2 1/2 to 3 inches across; the dark velvety disk in the center is surrounded by a circle of bright golden yellow, followed by another clear cut circle of rich crimson..... 10



CLEOME PUNGENS

Cleome Pungens.

Seed sown in the open ground in May will commence blooming July 1st, and continue in the greatest profusion until frost, attaining a height of five or six feet, with great panicles of bloom as large as a Hydrangea. The flowers are a deep purplish pink when they first open, but fade to light pink, so that the lower part of the panicle is a different color from the top part. The stamens are several inches long, which gives it the name of Spider Flower. After it commences to bloom, this plant is never out of flower while it lives. Winds or rains do not injure it. It gained the prize at Floral Park, August, 1889, by being the only flower which withstood the three weeks' rain and storm without injury or blemish. It is exceedingly showy, and for a situation where a tall plant is desirable, no annual can surpass it. (See novelties for pure white variety.) Per pkt..... 10

Gelosia, (Coekseomb).



GELOSIA

One of the most beautiful flowers that can be grown in the open ground. They are not difficult to grow, as is usually supposed. Start in heat and transplant to rich garden soil last of May. Their enormous heads of bloom with bright fiery colors resemble nothing else in cultivation, and are indeed beautiful and attractive. Per pkt. **Dwarf**, mixed, including-scarlet, pink, yellow, etc., all beautiful, large-flowered dwarf sorts; some of which produce heads over two feet in circumference..... 10

- New Variegated**, the combs variegated with bright crimson and yellow, forming a most beautiful contrast..... 5
- Tree Coekseomb** (see novelties), very fine..... 10

Flowering Cannas.

The Canna is the popular flower of the hour. Since the introduction of the superb dwarf French varieties which bloom so profusely and are so brilliant, no flower has been more popular or satisfactory than this. Start seed early under glass or in the house and they will commence blooming by July.

- Fine Mixed**, a choice collection of all varieties..... 5



FLOWERING CANNA.

Per pkt.

- Dark Foliage**, mixed sorts, all have beautiful, rich colored foliage..... 10
- Crozy's French Mixture**. These are the grand dwarf perpetual flowering varieties that we hear so much about. They are exceedingly fine and brilliant, no two alike, and bloom profusely all the time. It was from this seed that Star of '91, and Childs were raised..... 15
- Ventura**, a fine new sort, bearing larger flowers than any other. Rich blending of scarlet and carmine; dwarf, free bloomer..... 25

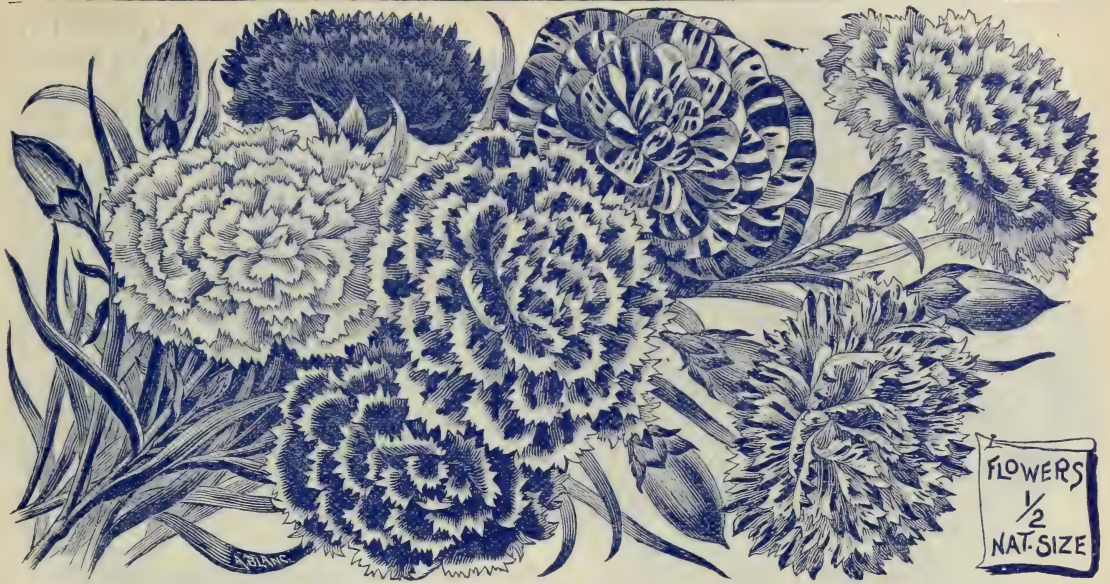


COSMOS CHILDS' HYBRIDS.

Cosmos, Childs' Hybrids.

Our new hybrids of this magnificent annual are among the most showy and graceful of all garden flowers, and nothing can give greater satisfaction for a late display. They make very large plants, growing five to seven feet high, which are beautiful masses of the most elegant foliage until they begin to bloom in September, when each plant will have hundreds of large showy blossoms. October frosts do not hurt the plants or flowers, and during that month it is the gayest and most showy plant in cultivation. It is pronounced by all to be the finest seed novelty in many years. **Hybrids**, mixed, all colors, white, pink, crimson, etc..... 10

- Childs**. Large flowers of pure white color..... 15



Dianthus.

DIANTHUS.

A SUPERB MIXTURE OF

Choice Dianthus Seed.

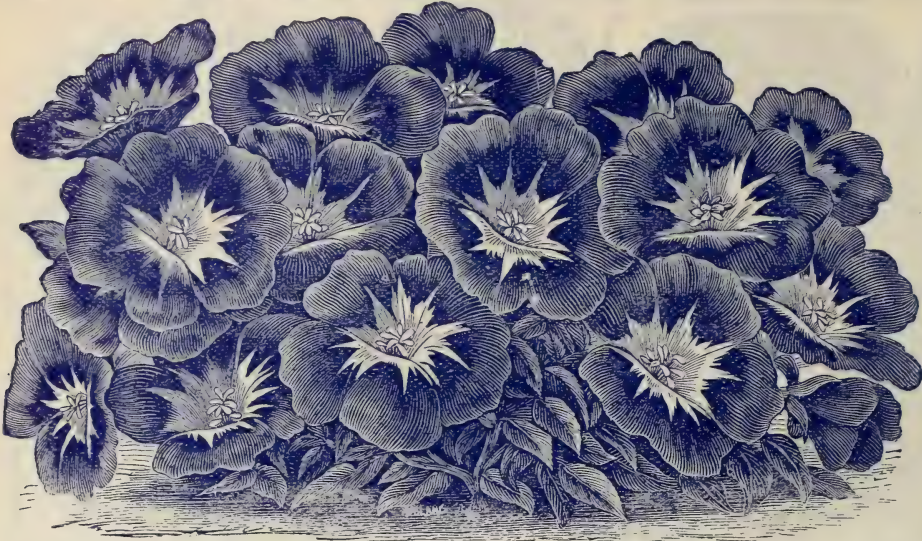
The Dianthus, or Chinese Pink, has long been a great garden favorite. It is, in fact, one of our most useful plants, furnishing abundance of gay and pretty flowers until frozen within the earth and covered by drifting snows. They live over winter and bloom as well the second year as the first. They are quite as pretty for pot plants in the house as Carnations. Indeed, their variety of color is more varied and pretty, while they are freer bloomers. As pot plants the Dianthus will always give great satisfaction, and as a garden plant they are among the very best. Plants from seed grow and bloom very quickly. We know we are doing our customers a kindness by urging them to plant the Dianthus for both garden and pots. Per pkt.

The Dianthus is really one of the most pleasing flowers for the garden or for pots, and should be largely planted by every lover of truly beautiful flowers. To encourage all to plant it freely we have prepared a special mixture of all sorts, forms and colors, both double and single. It will make a bed of flowers which will be a constant delight to all who see it. Seed may be started early under glass, or sown in the open ground. Per large packet, of all sorts, mixed..... 20

- Diadematus**, Flore Plena, splendid large double flowers of dark shades, marked with white and black colors; rich and beautiful..... 10
- Atropurpurea**, Flore Plena, large dark red double flowers..... 5
- Double White**, large and fine..... 5
- Laciniatus**, fine double flowers of various colors, mixed..... 5
- Striatus**, fine large double striped..... 10
- Heddewigii**, flowers single, three inches across, of rich and beautiful colors. All colors, mixed..... 5
- Eastern Queen**, single, three or four inches across, splendidly striped and stained..... 5
- Mourning Cloak**, a new Dianthus of great beauty. The flowers are very large and double, and of a fine deep purplish-black color, the petals being elegantly fringed and bordered with pure white. This flower is especially suited for mourning bouquets, wreaths, etc.; and as a garden or pot flower it is novel and charming..... 15
- Crimson Belle**, enormous single flowers, of a dark red color. Makes a splendid contrast with The Bride and Eastern Queen..... 5
- Imperialis**, Double Imperial Pinks. This is one of the very finest varieties of the Dianthus, being large, rank growers, and producing large double blossoms of great size and beauty. They are quite as good as Carnations, and are so easily grown, and bloom so quickly from seed, that they deserve a place in every garden..... 10
- Brilliant**, a dwarf grower, producing numerous large double blossoms which are of a dark bright red color, and as fine as the best Carnations. It blooms very early from seed, and exceedingly freely, and is one of the very best garden flowers it is possible to have. All the plants produce flowers which are perfectly double and true to color..... 15
- The Bride**. The plant is very dwarf, only about four inches high, compact and bushy, sending up flowers which are three inches across, and of the richest and most pleasing combination of color, namely: pure white, with a large dark crimson center. This dark center has also a pink band which shades off into the white. The petals are also finely fringed. It is a magnificent pot plant, as well as one of the best garden flowers, and blooms in a very short while from the time of sowing seed..... 15

For 75 cents we will send a packet each of the twelve sorts.





GODETIA.

Euphorbia.

(Painted Leaf or Fire-on-the-Mountain.)

The seed of "Painted Leaf," Fire-on-the-Mountain, or botanically Euphorbia Heterophylla, can be sown early under glass and set in the open ground in May. By August, the leaves on the tops of the branches will begin to turn scarlet, and in a short time the whole plant will present a dazzling ray of scarlet and green leaves, the effect of which is very striking. If not the most valuable, it is certainly one of the most novel and interesting additions to the flower garden which has appeared for a long time. Per pkt. **Variegata**, true Fire-on-the-Mountain..... 10
Variegata, "Snow-on-the-Mountain," fine white leaves. 5



FEVERFEW, DWARF.

Feverfews, (Dwarf.)

As will be seen by the cut, these new Dwarf Feverfews are very fine indeed. They are annuals and bloom early from seed, and continue all summer. They are also elegant for winter blooming in pots. The flowers are large and as double as roses, and borne in such profusion as to cover the plant.
Little Belle, pure snow white..... 10
Little Fred, fine golden yellow..... 10

Godetia,

(Satin Flower.)

The Godetia is useful in more ways than one. Seeds sown early in pots bloom in a few weeks and make a gay display. Sown early in the open ground, they are soon in bloom and present a brilliant mass of colors, which will delight all who see them. Their flowers are large and their colors are so delicate and shining they have received the name of Satin Flower.

Per pkt.
Mixed Colors.... 5
Lady Albemarle, flowers 4 inches across and of intense carmine, shaded toward the edge with delicate lilac... 5

- Duchess of Albany**, pure white; new and magnificent... 5
- Bijou**, the plants never exceed six inches in height, and form curious, carpet-like bushes, a foot or more across, which are densely covered with from 250 to 300 exceedingly pretty flowers, which are snowy white, with a bright carmine rose spot at the base of each petal..... 5
- Satin Rose**, bright crimson, very effective..... 5
- The Bride**, crimson and white, very delicate and beautiful..... 5
- Princess Henry**, new; it is of the most delicate, satiny rose tint, and each petal is marked with a broad, shining carmine spot, boldly contrasting with the ground color. Besides being particularly handsome and effective for a mass, it is useful for pots and for cutting.... 10
- Fairy Queen**, new, large and fine. Flowers pure white, passing to blush with fine carmine spots at the base of each petal. It is a flower of great beauty, and one which will please every one who sees it..... 10

One packet each of above seven sorts, 25 cents.



FENZLIA DIANTHIFLORA.

Fenzlia.

The plants do not grow over three inches high, but spread out like a Portulaca, forming a perfect mat of fine foliage, and branches, which are thickly covered at all times with perfectly charming blossoms of lovely colors. For a border or mass it is superb, and there is nothing more beautiful for carpet bedding. For cultivating in pots it is also a most charming thing, particularly as it flowers so early and profusely. Try it by all means.

- Dianthiflora**, grand rose color..... 10
- Dianthiflora**, Alba, pure white..... 10



DOUBLE DAHLIAS FROM SEED.

Dahlias.

Many people are not aware that Dahlias from seed sown in the spring will bloom beautifully the first summer, and give quite as good, if not better satisfaction than bulbs. From one or two papers of seeds many plants can be raised, which will be of the greatest variety of colors and mostly perfectly double, fully equal to many of the finest named sorts. Seed germinates quickly and easily, and plants grow very rapidly. We would advise starting seed under glass, and transplanting to the garden in good, rich soil the last of May, where they will grow with surprising rapidity, and be in bloom before you are aware of it. Florists and seed dealers have for years endeavored to keep the fact that fine Dahlias can be grown from seed from the public, that the sale of roots might not be diminished thereby. We were the first to proclaim the fact several years ago, and our Dahlia seed has proved so good and satisfactory that the demand for it is simply enormous. Per pkt.

- Double Large Flowering, Mixed, extra choice, from select flowers only.....** 20
- Double Pompon, Mixed, extra choice, from select flowers only.....** 15
- New Single, Mixed Colors, the flowers of single Dahlias are large, perfectly star-shaped, formed of broad petals, which are gay and beautiful in color. They grow and bloom very soon from seed, almost, if not quite, as quickly as Zinnias, and can be easily raised..** 10

Gracilis, Mixed Colors, new and very beautiful, with finely cut foliage and large, single flowers of perfect form and brilliant colors, most of the blossoms being elegantly striped and variegated.... 15

Zimpani, a dwarf, low-growing, single Dahlia, producing a great profusion of black flowers, which are graceful and striking..... 10

Cactus. The Cactus Dahlias are a new class having peculiar and very fine double flowers, resembling to some extent the blossoms of some of the finest Cactus. There are several colors of which we offer fine mixed seed..... 30



DAHLIA GRACILIS.

For 75 cents we will send one packet each.

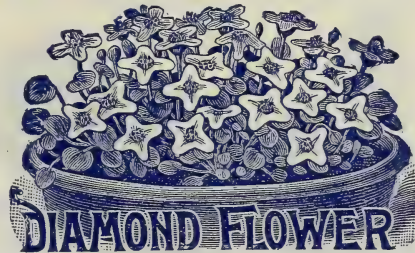


HUNNEMANNIA

Hunnemannia.

A lovely annual which is as yet but little known. It is sure to become a great garden favorite, as it is one of the most showy and satisfactory of all garden flowers. Its foliage is beautiful, and formed in a mass near the ground. The flowers are borne on long wirey stems far above it, very large and in color fine brilliant yellow, fully as showy as a mass of Tulips. Flowers are borne in great profusion from July to October, and when cut and placed in water last a long time before fading. Seed should be sown early in the open ground. It grows freely and rapidly. Per pkt.

Fumariaefolia, yellow, free flowering and very showy.. 15



DIAMOND FLOWER

This is one of the loveliest little annuals known, rarely growing over two inches in height, and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and violet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have the most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss—that you ever saw. In the garden it will grow and seed all summer, covering the ground with a perfect carpet of beauty. In the fall the self-sown seed will come up and bloom profusely from October until spring, regardless of ice and snow. They make a lovely bed of flowers all winter long.

Diamond Flower, (Ionopsisidium Acaule)..... 15



GYPSOPHILA.

Gypsophila.

This plant produces a profusion of small white flowers in graceful and beautiful sprays which are splendid for bouquets. They are, in fact, indispensable, and should be in every garden. They bloom in a few weeks from the time of sowing the seed.

Elegans, white, blooms very early..... 5



HUGELIA COERULAE.

Hugelia, Coerulae.

This is but little known and very desirable. It grows eighteen inches high, supporting on its long stems clusters of delicate light blue blossoms, the single florets being in color and size almost exactly like a Forget-me-not. For bouquet and cutting it is one of the choicest garden flowers. Per pkt. 10

Lobelia.

For decorative purposes, such as vases, hanging baskets, borders of beds, etc., the graceful little Lobelia is without a rival. Sow seed early and they will be big enough for baskets, vases, etc., in May or June. Per pkt. 10



LOBELIA.

Larkspur.

An old and well known hardy annual. Sow early in open ground. The flowers are borne in compact spikes and are showy and desirable for any situation.

- Double Dwarf**, Mixed colors, of all the best sorts. 5
- Giant Hyacinth Flowered**, mixed colors; great Hyacinth-like spikes of large double blossoms. 10



GIANT LARKSPUR.



LYCHNIS, BURNING STAR.

Lychnis.

Fine hardy perennials that grow and bloom year after year from the same root. Sow early in open ground and they will bloom finely the first season.

- Mixed colors**. 5
- Burning Star**, a fine dwarf plant, bearing large, star-shaped flowers which are exceedingly brilliant and striking, hence the name "Burning Star." It blooms very early, especially when started under glass, and continues all summer. It also grows exceedingly well in pots, and is really a charming pot plant. It lives in the open ground over winter without protection, and blooms even better the second than the first year. All colors mixed. 10

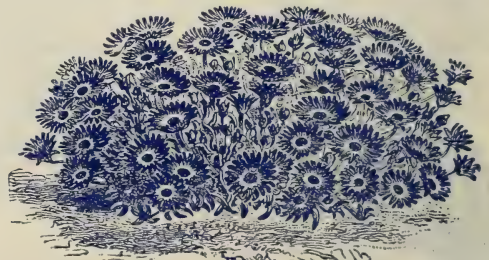


MARIGOLD, DAHLIA FLOWERED.

Marigold.

This flower, so popular of old, has been greatly improved of late years, and is again a leading garden favorite. Its large double blossoms are very showy. Per pkt. 5

- French, Mixed Colors**, small double flowers in great profusion. 5
- African, Mixed Colors**, large double blossoms, lemon and golden yellow colors; very beautiful. 5
- Butterfly**, a new sort of strong growth, producing hundreds of large flowers, beautifully striped and variegated. It is really a charming novelty. 5
- Lucida**, sweet-scented and fine. 5
- Dahlia-Flowered**, a grand Marigold of the African type, growing two to three feet high, strong and robust like a Dahlia, and producing enormous double blossoms, in size and shape resembling the finest Dahlias. The blossoms will average ten inches in circumference, and are of various colors from orange to fine canary yellow. Plant one to two feet apart. A few will be single and should be pulled up as soon as the flowers show, to give the double ones more room. It is a grand flower, which will greatly please all. 10
- Pygmæ**. Plants commence to bloom very soon after they are above the ground, and when only two or three inches high, and gradually spread out and grow a little taller till they reach the height of nine or ten inches, and are one unbroken solid row of flowers and foliage. They are completely covered with bloom all the time, and for borders and bedding they are superb. The flowers are light velvety brown, petals beautifully bordered with bright yellow. 5



MESEMBRYANTHEMUM.

Mesembryanthemum.

Known as Ice Plant and Dew Plant. Elegant trailing plants, desirable for hanging pots or vases. The foliage is very beautiful, having the appearance of ice or dew.

- Crystallinum**, (Ice Plant). Its leaves glisten like ice, and it is one of the most effective basket or vase plants that can be grown. 5
- Tricolor**, (Dew Plant), a lovely trailing plant for pot culture, which bears in great number large blossoms of peculiar beauty. Its leaves look as though they were covered with dew. 5



Mignonette.

Our strains of Mignonette are very fine indeed. The Golden Queen is a splendid addition to our list, while the Giant White Spiral, which we introduced several years ago, is the best and only true white variety. The delicious fragrance of the Mignonette makes it indispensable for bouquets and cutting. It is best to sow seed early in the garden, and they will commence blooming first of June. Our stock of Machet, Golden Queen and Giant White Spiral, are perfectly true and pure. These 3 elegant sorts are shown in the above cut, and they represent three leading colors, white, red and yellow.

- Common Sweet, large flowering; per ounce 20c..... 5
- Pyramidal or Giant Tree, flowers large and very sweet. A robust grower and free bloomer..... 5
- Giant White Spiral, this grand Mignonette, which we introduced several years ago, grows two or three feet high, perfectly erect, and we measured spikes of bloom on our grounds this season, which were 15 inches long. Its color is pure snow white, and the grand spikes of bloom can be seen for a long distance, and being so beautiful in form and color, much unlike anything else in cultivation, it attracts the attention of everybody. Its fragrance is rich and powerful, and it will produce twice as much bloom as any other variety. Seed may be sown in the open ground in April or May, where it will germinate very quickly and grow rapidly, and commence blooming early in June. If planted in pots at any time during the year they will soon bloom, and make beautiful pot plants, especially in the winter and spring. This Mignonette has given great satisfaction..... 10
- Machet, the finest Mignonette yet known. The plant is a strong bushy grower, bearing spikes of flowers in great number, which are of gigantic size and perfect pyramidal shape, and of a brick red color. It is extremely beautiful and fragrant. Our stock is true and pure. Much inferior stock of this variety is being offered..... 10
- Golden Queen, dense pyramidal habit, throwing up numerous flower stalks bearing spikes of yellowish blossoms; new..... 10

- Crimson Queen, a fine robust sort with large spikes of dark red flowers. Grand for pots..... 5
- Special offer.—For only 30 cents we will send one packet each of these six finest Mignonettes.



MIMULUS, TIGRINUS GRANDIFLORUS.

Mimulus.

- Beautiful free-flowering plants which succeed admirably when grown in pots and plunged in a shady place. The flowers are spotted and marked in a very beautiful way.
- Mixed Sorts, (Monkey Flower)..... 5
- Moschatus, (Musk Plant), delightful musk odor from the foliage. Flowers bright yellow..... 5
- Tigrinus Grandiflorus, the flowers are very large, nearly the size of a Petunia, and of the brightest and most striking colors, spotted and variegated in a most beautiful manner. Seed sown in pots in December will bloom splendidly all winter..... 10
- Double, fine double flowers all spotted; splendid..... 10



Nasturtiums.

Flame-colored blossoms on slender stems—
 Yellow and scarlet, and deep maroon—
 Holding erect their graceful heads
 That nod and glow in the sun of noon.

Beautiful blossoms so bright and gay,
 You teach a lesson we should not forget;
 For however dreary and dark the day,
 You do your best to brighten it.

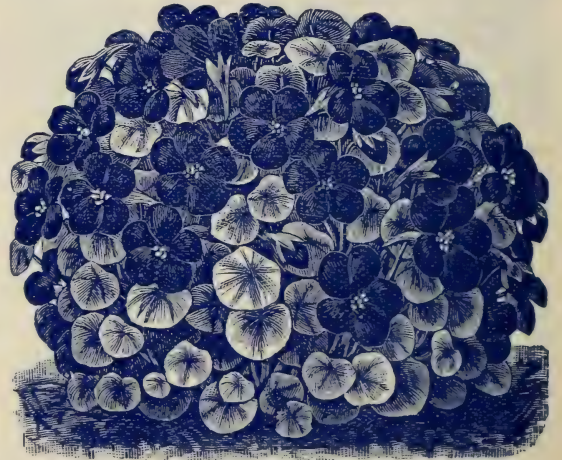
For showy and constant bloom few garden flowers equal the old Nasturtium, which, by the way, has been greatly improved during the past few years, in colors and habit of growth. They are sure to bloom in any situation, hot or cold, wet or dry, and no garden can be complete without a fair representation of them. As pot plants Nasturtiums are now very popular and satisfactory. They make a brilliant pot of flowers and bloom in winter as well as in summer. For pot culture, seed may be sown at any time of year. They bloom in about two months from the time of sowing.

Per pkt.

- Lady Bird**, new and very fine; bright yellow, marked with stripes and blotches of ruby crimson..... 10
- Empress of India**, a grand new sort; very dwarf and compact in habit, the leaves being of a dark purplish color, while the flowers are of a deep brilliant crimson. A grand thing for edging or massing, both the foliage and flowers being very ornamental..... 10
- King Theodore**, the darkest in color, being almost a dead black..... 10
- Golden King**, fine golden yellow, large and free..... 10
- Coccinea**, bright deep scarlet; very effective..... 5
- Pearl**, almost pure white; the finest of its color..... 10
- Rose**, fine rose color, a very soft and pleasing shade..... 5
- Spotted**, exceedingly fine colors, all spotted..... 5
- Beauty**, a fine combination of yellow and scarlet..... 5
- Crystal Palace Cem**, fine sulphur yellow marked maroon
- King of Tom Thumbs**, intense scarlet with rich dark foliage..... 10
- Linus**, a fine strain which grows only about one-half as large as the other Tom Thumb varieties; it is exceedingly pretty and extra fine for edging. Several colors mixed. Per oz., 30c. 5
- Fine Mixed**, an extra fine mixture of all the sorts here offered, and many others besides. We believe it is the finest mixture of Dwarf Tom Thumb Nasturtiums ever offered. Per oz., 20c.; per lb., \$1.50. 5

Nasturtium, Golden Climber.

A splendid novelty. This Nasturtium is a rapid grower, and of a trailing or climbing habit, having an abundance of leaves which are of a splendid yellowish color. The flowers are orange maroon and produced freely. The odd and beautiful color of its foliage makes it a plant of great value, and one of the most odd and beautiful objects that can be had. It will give the greatest satisfaction..... 20



NASTURTIUM, CLOTH OF GOLD.

Nasturtium, Cloth of Gold.

Entirely unlike all other Nasturtiums, and in striking contrast to the dark-leaved sorts, the foliage of this new variety is a clear bright yellow. The plant is of dwarf, compact habit, very beautiful, even before coming into bloom, while the deep scarlet flowers intermingled among the yellow leaves add much to its beauty. Most beautiful for bedding.... 10

Myosotis, (Forget-me-not.)



MYOSOTIS.

These are admirable for pot culture for winter blooming, as well as for growing in the open ground. Nothing is finer for bouquets than the charming Forget-me-not. The tradition, which tells how the name Forget-me-not came to be applied to this plant, is told in a back number of the *Mayflower*. It is said that a Knight and a lady were walking by the side of the Danube interchanging vows of devotion and affection, when the lady saw, on the other side of the stream, the bright blue flowers of the Myosotis, and expressed a desire for them. The Knight eager to gratify her, plunged into the river, and reaching the opposite bank, gathered a bunch of flowers. On his return the current proved too strong for him, and after many efforts to reach the land he was borne away. With a last effort he flung the fatal blossoms upon the land, exclaiming as he did so, "Forget-me-not."

- Per pkt.
- Palustris**, new, large flowering blue; elegant..... 5
- Alpestris**, white..... 5
- Rosea**, fine rose color, (clivenden pink)..... 5
- Elegantissima**, beautiful pyramidal growth; mixed colors..... 10
- Dwarf, Mixed Colors**, small bushy plants, large blossoms. 10
- Fairy Gem**, this is an annual and not a perennial, like all other Myosotis. Consequently, when it is sown in the garden early in the spring it is soon out of the ground and blooming freely by July. The plants make a compact mass of foliage and flowers. No Myosotis will bloom so quickly and profusely as this, and its tiny spray of blue flowers are charming for the hair or button-hole, and for working in with all kinds of floral decorations..... 10

For 30 cents we will send one packet each of the six sorts.



- Per pkt.
- Grandiflora, Mixed**, very large flowers, fine colors 10
- " **Pure White**..... 10
- Nana Compacta**, a beautiful new dwarf Petunia, which forms a dense round bush which is completely smothered with beautiful variegated blossoms all summer. 15
- Fimbriata Titania, Mixed**, a large flowering strain of various colors and variegations, all of which are beautifully fimbriated like Titania. Many flowers are also beautifully veined..... 25



PETUNIA, GRANDIFLORA.

Petunia.

For years the Petunia has been one of the leading window and garden flowers, and few can be more generally satisfactory. Always full of bloom, it is ever an object of great beauty. The double and large single sorts are usually selected for window culture, and bloom freely all times of the year. For bedding out in summer they are equally valuable. A bed of Petunias is a mass of gay colors from early spring to late fall. Per pkt.

- Childs' New Hybrids**, striped and blotched. A Magnificent strain, producing a great profusion of crimson and white flowers, beautifully blotched, striped and marked. Flowers very large and plants completely covered with bloom the whole season 10



PETUNIA, QUEENS DOUBLE.

- New Queens Double**, these Petunias produce a great profusion of enormous double flowers, the shape of which is perfect, and the colors and variegations exquisite. They are equally beautiful and useful for pot plants in the house or for a grand display in the garden. About half the plants produced from double seed will be fine and double, the others single and semi-double. Plants from seed bloom sixty days from time of sowing. All colors mixed..... 25
- Double White**, this will produce 30 per cent. of fine double white flowers of great beauty..... 30



GIANT EXCELSIOR
PANSIES



PANSY, IMPERIAL GERMAN.

Pansy.

Our Pansy Seed is all special strains of the highest perfection and greatest beauty.

It is needless for us to say anything in praise of this lovely flower. Everybody knows, loves and cultivates the Pansy. They give such a profusion of bright bloom during the spring and autumn months that they are a necessity to every garden. We have taken the greatest pains to procure our seed from prize strains only, and it is unsurpassed. Seed may be sown at almost any time of the year, but the best time to sow for summer and fall show is early in spring. They will then bloom all summer and fall. For early spring show, August or September is a good time to sow seed, giving the plants slight protection over winter, though they seldom winter-kill. If seed is sown late, after the weather has become hot and dry, it should be sown in a cool, shady situation, and kept watered, for Pansy seed will not germinate well when sown where it is exposed to the hot sun and drying winds. This is where many fail in getting seed to germinate quickly and well. In the garden, plants should have a good rich soil, which should be kept well hoed and free from weeds. All flowers should be picked off as soon as they fade, for if allowed to form seed it will take so much of the strength of the plant that there will be a great falling off in the size and number of flowers.

- Per pkt.
- Extra Choice, Large Flowering, mixed, a fine strain... 5
 - Extra Select Large Belgian, mixed, large and showy.. 10
 - Snow Queen, pure snow white, very large; a grand sort. 10
 - Yellow Bird, a fine new sort of the Giant Trimardeau type, giving flowers of the very largest size, and bright glossy yellow in color. It is exceedingly showy and will be greatly admired everywhere..... 15
 - Cassiers Giant Odier, seed saved only from very large and beautifully blotched model flowers. A rich and lovely Pansy..... 15
 - Bugnots Superb Mixed, this strain has become famous for its large blossoms of the richest colors..... 15
 - Ne Plus Ultra, first offered two years ago. It is claimed to be the richest mixture of all colors ever sent out.. 10
 - Trimardeau Giant, an entirely distinct and splendid race; growth vigorous and compact; flowers of good form and a size which is truly GIGANTIC. Colors are rich and varied. Splendid mixed..... 15
 - Fire King, fiery yellow, and reddish purple..... 10
 - Silver Edged, dark purple with a distinct white edge... 10
 - Black Giant Flowered, new, enormous size, coal black. 20
 - Giant Excelsior, the gigantic size of the flowers, luxuriant growth, profusion of bloom, and exquisite blendings of gay and fantastic colors is utterly indescribable. Several years ago we introduced the Imperial Germans which at once took the first place among Pansies, and has since been the finest in cultivation in this country, and can now be surpassed only by the Giant Excelsiors. The growth and general habit of the Giant Excelsiors is compact, strong and bushy, showing at all times a remarkably healthy appearance. The gigantic flowers are produced in

Per pkt.

great numbers, and borne well above the foliage on strong stems. The flowers possess great substance, and keep perfect longer than most any other sorts. The colors are truly wonderful, including over a hundred different shades and combinations, with blendings and markings entirely new, and of the most exquisite beauty. The flowers are borne in great profusion from May to November. The plants stand the hot, dry weather of summer to a remarkable degree, yielding flowers almost as large and free as in early spring..... 20

For \$1.00 we will send one packet each of above 12 sorts.

TRUE IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES.

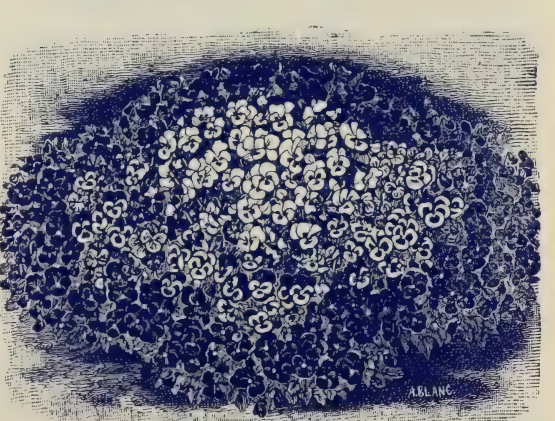
Introduced by us several years ago, and have become so popular and well known that little need be said about them.

Their characteristics are a compact habit, large and healthy foliage, and large sized flowers of great substance and beauty. They produce their large flowers throughout the entire summer. These Pansies have been widely sold and many inferior strains have been put on the market under their name. As the introducer we have the genuine stock, and offer the following 14 varieties:



- Cloriosa Perfecta, reddish steel blue, with red and white rim. In this variety we have the finest combination of colors, and the loveliest of all Pansies..... 15
- Snow Fairy, pure snow white, large and beautiful; splendid for cemeteries..... 10
- Black Knight, pure coal black, a rich and beautiful color 10
- Thunder Cloud, a large flower, deep coal black, with red and white rim. Extra fine..... 15
- Azure Blue, a lovely color for massing..... 10
- Emperor William, elegant deep blue..... 10
- Little Red Riding Hood, this is an entirely new and distinct color. The flowers are large, finely formed, and the most brilliant solid red color, yet seen in Pansies. It is a charming novelty, but unfortunately does not always come true..... 10
- Deep Yellow, very fine..... 10
- Odier or Five-Spotted, Mixed, flowers of various colors each having five spots..... 10
- Large Spotted, Mixed, on white, yellow and red ground. They are grand..... 10
- Lord Beaconsfield, (true). This is the true variety as grown by the originator. Very large size, lower petals deep purplish indigo, while the upper ones shade off almost to pure white..... 10
- Marbled, Mixed, various colors, beautifully marbled... 10
- Striped, Mixed, a fine variety of beautifully striped blossoms..... 10
- Bronze Perfecta, fine bronze..... 10
- Mixed Seed, of more than 50 distinct varieties of Imperial German, including the above 14 kinds..... 10

One packet each of above 15 Imperial German Pansies for \$1.00.



A BED OF PANSIES.

One packet each of the 29 sorts on this page \$2.00.



CHILDS'

STAR PHLOXES

Phlox Drummondii, (Grandiflora)

Little need be said in favor of this grand annual. Everybody knows and cultivates it for its brilliant colors. It is truly called the "Flame Flower." A bed in bloom dazzles the eye with its brilliancy, and the different colors on one side by side produce a beautiful effect. Sow seed in the open ground early. We have discarded all Phloxes except the following new and improved Grandifloras. They are so much superior to the old sorts that it is folly to plant any other. The following collection will surprise those who plant them, with their large size, brilliant colors, compact, bushy and free flowering habit.

- Per pkt. 10
- Coccinea**, large, dazzling scarlet..... 10
- Fancy Striped**, many colors, all beautifully striped white..... 10
- Crover Cleveland**, a new sort of great beauty, being pure white with a brilliant crimson center. Very effective..... 10
- Rosea Alba Oculata**, fine brilliant rose with a large white eye..... 10
- Violet Alba Oculata**, fine violet with white eye..... 10
- Yellow**, good light yellow color..... 10
- Alba**, large pure white..... 10
- Stellata**, intense dazzling scarlet with a large white center, a striking contrast. It makes a most brilliant and dazzling mass of color all summer, and should have a place in every garden. Our stock is strictly pure, the finest in the market..... 10
- Mixed Seed**, of 30 different colors..... 10
- Nana Compact**, extra dwarf low-growing varieties. Mixed colors..... 10
- Childs' Star**. When these lovely German Phloxes, Fimbriata, Cuspidata, and Star of Quedlinburg were introduced three years ago, we at once commenced a series of hybridization between them to secure a great variety of color, and if possible, an entirely distinct race of this brilliant flower. Our success has been phenomenal, and we now offer in Childs' New Star Phloxes a unique and beautiful class, containing more than a hundred different colors and combinations, and about as many different shapes, from toothed or fimbriated to long-pointed star forms. As may be imagined, such a great variety of forms and colors is the wonder and admiration of all who see them. It is impossible to describe the effect of a bed or mass of this extraordinary flower. One looks at it in wonder and amazement, and comes often to look again, beholding new forms and new beauties each time. If you want something truly odd, novel and beautiful, by all means sow a packet of these new Phloxes. All colors are represented, including rich shades of dark blue and royal purple—colors not seen in other Phloxes..... 15
- Childs' Jubilee**. The flowers are nearly the size of a twenty dollar gold coin, very perfect in form, and borne in such profusion as to nearly obscure the whole

plant. The colors are the most brilliant, varied and numerous to be found among Phloxes—crimson, scarlet, rose, pink, blush, purple, white, lavender, light yellow, maroon-black, marbled, striped and variegated. Rich and beautiful velvety colors not found in other Phloxes, appear here in abundance. The growth and habit of the plant is another equally desirable feature. They do not grow so tall as the Grandifloras, and are strong and bushy, standing erect, without lodging or blowing over, each plant presenting a mass of large dazzling flowers, which for a brilliant and striking display of solid color has no equal..... 15



CHILDS' JUBILEE PHLOX.

For \$1.00 we will send the whole 12 packets.



Poppies.

This grand old flower is fast gaining the universal popularity which it justly merits. Having for years been crowded out of our gardens by the swarms of new comers, and forgotten, it has, nevertheless, kept pace with the march of improvement, and now comes around and surprises us with its new forms, new sizes, new colors, and the dear old flower, which our grandmothers loved so much, again occupies one of the first places in our gardens, and we are proud of it; and well we may be, for through June and July it stands without an equal, the showiest of all annuals. The Poppy is to-day occupying in popularity a place beside the Chrysanthemums, and even the Rose. We cannot wonder at this when we look upon their varied and brilliant colors, and enormous double flowers, and see the ease by which they can be grown by anybody in any situation. Seed should be sown in the open ground as early in the spring as possible. Our stock is the finest in the country, as the Poppy is one of our favorite flowers, and we grow it in large quantity, usually an acre or more. Per pkt.

- Wonder**, a new and distinct Poppy of great size and beauty. It is of the peony-flowered type, very large, and as double and beautiful as a Peony. Part of each petal is white, and part bright scarlet, beautifully fimbriated. This contrast is very beautiful and striking. Its habit is rather short and stout, with large rank foliage. 5
- Shirley**, a novelty put out two years ago, and it is one of the most lovely of all Poppies yet seen. The flower seems to have a charming grace and delicate beauty peculiar to itself. The colors are mostly light, many having wide margins on the petals. The flowers are large, single, and extremely showy. It will give great satisfaction. For brilliant, dazzling colors, these Poppies are equalled only by the Tulip. 10
- Giant Carnation Flowered**, flowers as large as a saucer, and perfectly double, and of beautiful shape. It is one of the very best, possessing a large range of very bright and beautiful colors. All colors, mixed. 10
- Child's Great Peony-Flowered**, mixed colors. This grand strain has been produced after many years of high cultivation. It grows three to four feet high, and produces flowers which, in size and color, are equal to Peonies. They are perfectly grand. 10
- Peacock** (Papava Umbrosa). This sort is of a compact growth, bearing great numbers of flowers on long wiry stems, and presents a graceful appearance, and a most vivid display of color. Intense fiery scarlet, with a black center. 5

CHILD'S' POPPIES.

Per Pkt

- Japanese Pompon**. It blooms very early, and produces a great number of perfectly double blossoms, almost as round as a ball and about one-half the size of ordinary Poppies. They are gems of great beauty, and present a wide range of the most gorgeous colors: scarlet, crimson, pink, rose, blush, lilac, white, mottled, fimbriated, etc. 10
- Angel of Midnight**, black; an odd and novel color. 10
- Childs' Rosette**. This is a sport from Snowdrift, and originated at Floral Park three years ago. It is a rank grower, reaching a foot higher than Snowdrift, with flowers almost, if not quite, double its size, and of the same beautiful round shape, with fimbriated petals, and as double and perfect in all respects as any flower can be. Its color is the most lovely ever seen, being a soft bright pink of exquisite delicacy. 10
- Snowdrift**. We introduced this grand Poppy some years ago, and it is now acknowledged the finest sort in existence. It has a dwarf, stout habit, peculiar to itself; flowers very large, perfectly double, and as round as a ball, and of the purest snow-white color. It always comes perfectly double, no single or semi-double flowers appearing at all. It is really the most beautiful white flower one can grow in the garden. As the introducers we have the pure genuine stock. 10



Rosebud. This charming strain of Poppy we have been at work on for a long time, and offered them two years ago for the first. They are of a dwarf habit, producing flowers in endless number, which are as double and perfect as rose buds, and showing the greatest variety of the most brilliant and lovely colors. In fact, it will be difficult to find any two alike. There are fringed and variegated ones as well as solid colors, in every shade. Nothing will prove more attractive in your garden than a bed of these. They commence blooming in June. 10

Nudicaule, or Iceland Poppies. These lovely Poppies are hardy perennials, blooming profusely year after year, without care or trouble. They bloom the first summer from seed, if seed is sown early. The colors are yellow, orange, white, etc., and they are very fine indeed. All colors, mixed. 10

Special Offer. For only 50 cents we will send one packet each of these ten fine Poppies.



CHILDS' DOUBLE ROSE-FLOWERED PORTULACA.

Portulaca.

Well known hardy annuals which grow not more than six inches high, covering the ground in a beautiful carpet-like form of most vivid colors. A mass of double ones makes the most brilliant and gorgeous display that can be had among annuals. They do best in a hot, sunny situation, and no matter how dry the weather, they will grow and flourish, even on very poor soil. For borders of beds they are very effective.

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| Grandiflora, Mixed Colors, white, crimson, rose, scarlet, yellow, striped, etc. | 5 |
| Double Rose-Flowered, Mixed Colors, large blossoms, as double as roses and of the greatest variety of colors and variegations. Our seed is the best in the market and will produce large double flowers. | 15 |
| Double Yellow, fine brilliant color. | 15 |
| “ Scarlet, clear and bright. | 15 |
| “ White, pure and beautiful | 15 |

One paper each of above five sorts, 50 cents.



RAILING PEA.

Peas, Trailing.

These charming flowering Peas differ from the common Sweet Pea in habit of growth and shape of flower. They do not climb to any extent, but trail on the ground a foot or two producing great quantities of the most beautiful of all Pea flowers. They commence to bloom about three weeks earlier than Sweet Peas and continue all summer.

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| Lord Anson Blue, lovely shade of clear sky blue | 10 |
| Lord Anson White, like the above but pure white. | 10 |

One packet of each color for 15c.

Salvia.



SALVIA

These are among the finest of all bedding plants. Being tall growers they are useful for the centers of flower beds, or for a border to a bed of Cannas, etc. They all live and bloom during winter if placed in a window or conservatory. Start seed early under glass, except Carduacua, which can be sown in the open ground.

Splendens, large, scarlet; exceedingly showy and useful for cutting and for ornamental beds......10

Patens, a most lovely shade of blue......25

Carduacua, light blue..... 5



SPRAGUAEA UMBELLATA

Spraguea Umbellata, forms a compact mass of dark, bronzy leaves, from among which stems rise to the height of eight or ten inches bearing an umbel of curious wool-like crimson flowers. This bunch of curious bloom keeps perfect a long time before fading. Its beauty commends it to all lovers of flowers, as also does its odd and curious formation...... 10



Salpiglossis.

The colors and markings of the Salpiglossis are most beautiful. The shape and size of the flower is similar to that of the Petunia, borne in great profusion and presents a very beautiful sight. It is a flower which will always please everyone, and should be more generally grown.

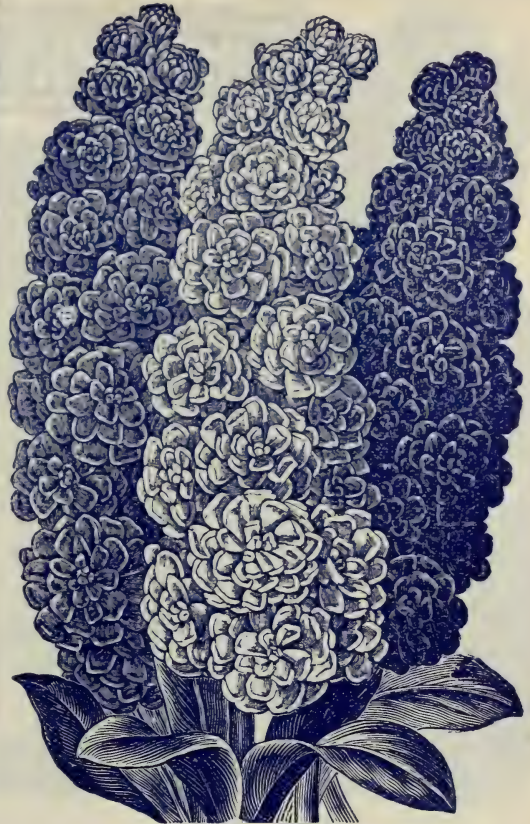
- Mixed Colors**, very fine. 5
- Grandiflora, Mixed Colors**, a splendid new strain with enormous sized flowers of all colors. They are marked, stained and penciled in the most odd and beautiful manner. They are showy and desirable. 10



Scabiosa.

One of the most useful and beautiful of all flowers for bouquets, vases, or for any decorative purpose. Many of the flowers are pure coal black, others black tipped with white, pink, maroon, etc. They make splendid clumps or masses by themselves, or mixed with other flowers. Sow seed very early in the open ground. They are among the easiest of all flowers to grow, and always sure to bloom well.

- Mixed Colors**, (Mourning Bride). 5
- Double Mixed Colors**, dwarf habit. 5
- Snow Ball**, the plant is a strong grower, and the flowers are very large, perfectly double, and as white as snow. They are produced very freely, and are attractive. 10
- Golden Dwarf**, a dwarf sort with yellow foliage, and double coal black blossoms. It makes a unique plant. 10
- Royal Velvet**, each head of this variety when in full bloom may well be named a ready-made nosegay composed as it is of 20 or 30 distinct florets of a velvety purple color on which the white stamens contrast finely. 10



TEN WEEKS STOCKS, GLOBE PYRAMIDAL.

Ten Weeks Stocks.

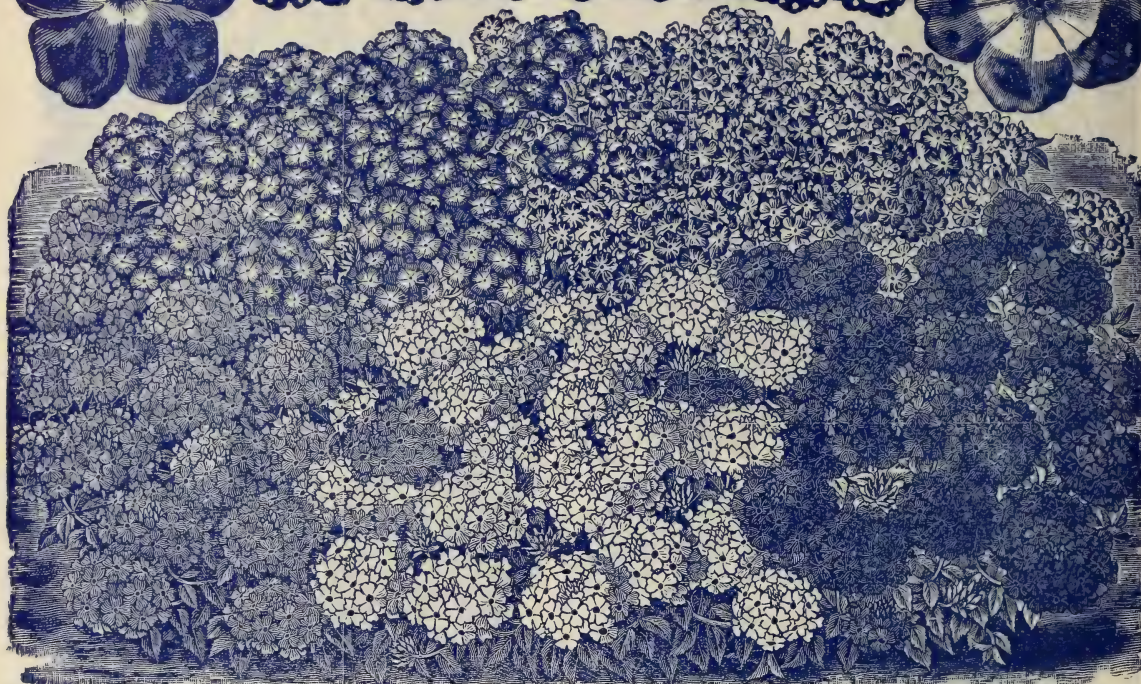
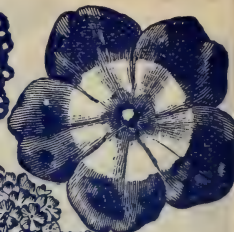
The Stock is without doubt the most popular German flower. With its great variety of fine colors and large spikes of beautiful double, sweet-scented flowers, suitable either for garden or pot culture, it is certainly one of the most desirable of all flowers. We recommend starting seed under glass and transplanting to the garden about the first of June. For pot culture a four or five inch pot is suitable for one plant, and the amount of fine bloom which it will produce is surprising, continuing its flowers far into the winter. For the garden the Ten Weeks Stock is a lovely and favorite flower, its great solid spikes of bloom resembling nothing else in cultivation.

- Early Ten Weeks**, 12 finest colors mixed 10
- “ “ Pure white, very sweet. 10
- “ “ Crimson. 10
- “ “ Blue. 10
- “ “ Yellow, new and fine. 10
- Dwarf German**, large flowering, mixed colors; extra fine large flowering strain. 10
- New Largest Flowering Globe Pyramidal**, mixed colors, the finest of all Stocks. Immense spikes of large, perfect flowers in dense pyramidal form and of the most charming colors, and very fragrant; new. 15
- Clant Perfection**, mixed colors, a grand class with long spikes of beautiful, large double flowers. Height 2½ feet. The finest for open ground. 15
- Snowflake**, the earliest of the whites and most excellent for pots. It has large spikes of snow-white double flowers. 15
- Victoria Blood Red**, fine double blossoms, deep, and rich in color, and a fine companion to Snowflake. Very sweet. 10
- Celestial Blue**, another fine new sort of a charming color, large, double, and sweet, splendid to contrast with the white and red. 10
- Tree**, mixed colors, a gigantic branching sort. 10

For \$1.00 we will send one packet of each.



CHILDS' PRIZE VERBENAS



Verbenas.

This is a well-known and universal favorite for both pot and open ground culture. A good bed of Verbenas is usually the most attractive spot in the garden. The seed we offer is saved from the finest named sorts. Our Verbena seeds cannot be excelled in any particular. Seed should be started in pots or frames and transplanted to the garden when large enough.

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| Extra Choice Mixed , from fine named sorts..... | 10 |
| Golden Bedder , bright scarlet flowers, with golden-yellow foliage..... | 25 |
| Dark Cloud . A new sort from France; fine deep black-blue, with white center | 15 |
| Striata , fine flowers of various colors; all beautifully striped with white..... | 10 |
| Primrose . We procured this in Europe several years ago, and 98 out of every 100 plants grown from seed will produce flowers of a beautiful, soft primrose yellow color, being the only yellowish shade found among Verbenas. The plant is a compact grower, making it well suited to pot as well as garden culture | 20 |
| Odorata . This lovely Verbena possesses three great points of merit over other varieties, and they are such important ones that it will become a necessity to every garden. First: it is so hardy, seed may be sown in the open ground, early in the spring, where they will quickly germinate, grow rapidly, and in a few weeks be in bloom and give a great profusion of beautiful blossoms all summer. No garden flower is easier grown, for it is sure to thrive as a Poppy, or pig weed. Second: the blossoms instead of being in clusters, like other sorts, run up into spikes, usually 3 or 4 inches long, as shown in the cut. Third: it is very sweet scented. We have probably said enough to make every one want it; but we have yet to say that the flower is <i>pure white</i> , that the plant is short jointed and dwarf, not covering nearly as much ground as other sorts, and it is a perfect mass of bloom all summer. Also, that it always comes true from seed..... | 10 |

Childs' Prize Verbenas.

This strain of Verbenas has become famous as the finest in the country. What we here offer of it is the result of ten years' careful selection of stock seed from the best flowers and colors, and it is a strain superior to anything the world can show. Those who visited Floral Park the past summer and saw our four-acre patch of it can vouch for what we

say. It is so far ahead of ordinary good Verbenas that people can hardly believe their eyes when they behold its magnificence. The habit of growth is compact, vigorous and short-jointed. The trusses of bloom and individual flowers are enormous, and of the most perfect form, while the variety, delicacy and dazzling brilliancy of the colors is marvelous. Very few of the common colors are seen, as selections have been made with a view to developing rare and delicate shades and odd combinations, and in this great beauty and novelty is found as well as in the great size and perfect forms of the bloom and profuse flowering qualities. To add to their attraction they are also quite sweet scented. Like our superb strains of Balsam, Phlox, Poppy, Zinnia, etc., these Verbenas cannot be overpraised. We know that you cannot buy such good ones elsewhere.

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| All Colors, Mixed , a wide range of both delicate and brilliant shades. Very few blues or purples | 20 |
| Prize White , large, compact trusses of snow-white flowers borne in the greatest profusion, and sweet scented. Comes absolutely true from seed..... | 10 |
| Prince Scarlet , deep, dazzling color, large size and prolific bloomer. Comes absolutely true to color from seed..... | 10 |



Special Offer. One packet each of the nine sorts, \$1.00.



CHILD'S LILLIPUT ZINNIAS.

Childs' Superb Zinnias.

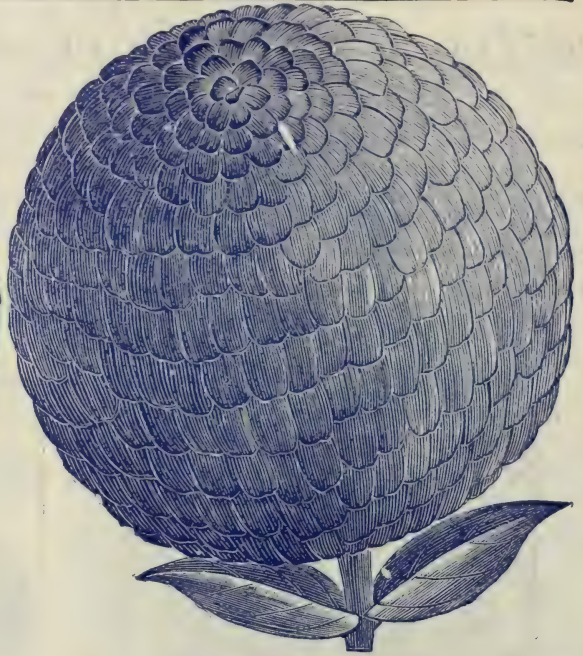
Our Zinnias have for years been the admiration of all who saw them, and have never failed to take first prize whenever or wherever exhibited, but we believe we are still further improving them every year. It is, indeed a grand flower, as large and double as a Dahlia and of a great variety of fine colors. A bed of Zinnias makes a grand show and is always greatly admired, being constantly in bloom from the last of June until killed by autumn frosts. If there are any people who pretend not to like Zinnias, let them try our seeds, and they will at once change their minds. We know that our Zinnias are the best to be had anywhere in the wide world. Seed may be sown in open ground or hot-bed quite early.

Fire Ball, dazzling fiery scarlet, very double (no single or imperfect ones at all appearing), nearly as round as a ball, and borne in such profusion as to completely cover the plants, which are of a dwarf, compact bushy habit. It makes a splendid border or mass, its bright color showing to great advantage... 10



SNOW BALL AND FIRE BALL.

Snow Ball, exactly like Fire Ball in all respects except color, which is pure snow white, very fine, and contrasts finely with the scarlet..... 10



CHILD'S IMPROVED ZINNIA.

Per pkt.

- Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors**, saved only from select flowers of the largest size, most perfect form and best colors. Every plant will produce large double flowers, brilliant in color and perfect in form. This is the finest strain of Double Zinnias in cultivation... 10
- Improved Striped**, this is the finest strain of Striped Zinnias we have ever seen. They represent all the leading colors, and all striped with some color different from the main color of the bloom..... 10
- Double Yellow**, extra fine, with very large blossoms of the brightest yellow. Makes a fine contrast with Fire Ball and Snow Ball 10



Lilliput. (New, 1889.) Our Zinnias are famous the world over, and we are pleased to be able to add to their renown by the introduction of a new and distinct strain of great beauty. The plants grow only about half the size of ordinary Zinnias, branching and blooming freely, the blossoms being very small, only one-half the size of the Pompons. They are very double and perfect, and of exceedingly brilliant colors. These beautiful little Zinnias are truly gems, which all lovers of flowers will appreciate..... 10

One packet each of above six Zinnias for 50 cents. They will make a magnificent bed.

WELL KNOWN POPULAR FLOWER SEEDS.

On this page we offer several popular sorts, which are so well known that but little description or illustration is necessary. These old favorites are mostly inexpensive and we offer them very low.

Price of all seeds on this page 5c. per pkt., 4 pkts. for 15c., 7 pkts. for 25c., 15 pkts. for 50c.

Alyssum Saxatile, Similar to the Sweet Alyssum in form of flower, but blooms very early in spring and is very showy.

Agapanthus Umbellatus, well known Lily of the Palace; very fine.

Beta, these are indeed among the most effective bedding plants, producing immense leaves, often two feet long and eight or nine inches broad, and beautifully colored and crinkled. Planted in a bed together, one foot apart each way they are grand. One great feature of these Beets is the fact that frost does not kill them, but only colors their leaves all the brighter (like a fancy Caladium), and until they are covered with snow they are objects of great beauty. All the best sorts mixed.



AMARANTHUS RAINBOW.

Amaranthus Rainbow, the best of all Amaranthus. Plants grow two to three feet high in beautiful pyramidal spirals of thick foliage. Each leaf is composed of two colors, half green and half dull black. In August the leaves on the upper part of the branches turn to the most brilliant colors, intense scarlet, rose, pink, amaranth, yellow, orange, etc., presenting a display which few plants can equal. They are indeed a blaze of glory.

Centaurea Clementi, the silver-leaved Centaureas, of which this is the best, are extensively grown for bordering. They form compact plants, with large, fern-like, silvery-white leaves, which are very beautiful.

Cerithe, a pretty annual of quick growth, producing a bunch of drooping flowers from beautiful tufts of leaves at the ends of the branches. The flowers are over an inch in length and usually composed of two colors.

Convolvulus Minor, these are dwarf Morning Glories and very pretty. They do not climb, but form large bushy plants which are a perfect mass of flowers.

Centranthus, this is one of the most beautiful of all annuals. The flowers are very small and borne in large clusters, each one of which is in itself a pretty bouquet. Very valuable for cutting.



PYRETHRUM AUREUM.

Cynoglossum Linifolium, a fine hardy annual, growing over a foot high, with long, loose sprays of beautiful white flowers, which look very graceful and pretty. It is especially valuable for cutting for bouquets, etc. It is a great honey producing flower, and bees just revel in it. It blooms very quickly from seed; in fact, we know of no annual which can beat it in this respect.

Datura, the Datura or Ghost Flower is a very interesting plant. It grows several feet in height and branches freely, producing large trumpet-shaped flowers a foot or more in length. They always attract a great deal of attention.

Eschscholtzia, beautiful flowers and fine foliage; very showy, mixed.

Eschscholtzia, Double White.

Camolopsis Tagetes, a beautiful free-flowering plant of compact low growth, with fern-like foliage, and bright yellow, daisy-like blossoms.

Calliardia Lorenziana, very showy and worthy a place in every garden, though they are as yet little cultivated. They always attract attention by their gay colors.

Hellanthus Miniature, the smallest one and most beautiful of all Sunflowers, growing only two feet high; very bushy and producing freely all summer numerous blossoms, bright yellow, two to three inches across; new and fine.

Hellanthus, New Double Dwarf, large, perfectly double flowers of great size and beauty.



KALE, ORNAMENTAL.

Kale, Ornamental, as an ornamental plant, its elegantly curled and colored leaves make it one of the most useful foliage plants for ornamental bedding. These leaves turn at the touch of frost to various colors, some very dark deep red, others pink, rose, fine shades of olive, etc., and remain all through the fall and winter in the most beautiful state, and form a bed of great beauty. As you will see by the cut, the foliage is highly ornamental in shape, but when well colored up it is grand. All the best sorts mixed.

Linara Aparanoides, most beautiful colors are found in great variety in this strain, from dark purple to delicate rose, splendid self colors as well as the most lovely gradation of melted shades.

Layla, Mixed, our trial of this beautiful annual has convinced us of its great value. Seed can be sown in the open ground early, and flowers appear in a few weeks and continue in great profusion all summer. Habit neat and compact, with fine, fern-like foliage.

Momordica, a fine ornamental fruit-bearing climber of great beauty. Best sorts mixed.

Nigella, this old favorite garden annual has become almost unknown. In olden times it was as popular as the Hollyhock or Poppy, and like those flowers it has since been greatly improved, and is entitled to a place in every garden. Two colors mixed, white and blue.

Oxalis, few are aware that there are beautiful varieties of Oxalis, which are grown from seeds, and which bloom early and profusely all summer. Such is, however, a fact, and they are well worthy a place in every garden.

Phacelia Campanularia, a lovely annual, which when sown in the open ground, May first, will commence blooming the first of June and continue all summer in great profusion. The blossoms are of a most lovely shade of blue, cup-shaped, erect. It will please all who see it.

Pyrethrum Aureum, this is the well known and ever beautiful "Golden Feather," with its mass of golden yellow foliage, standing our winters and showing to good advantage at all times. The color of its foliage makes it very ornamental and a striking contrast. Flowers double white.

Ricinus, grand ornamental foliage plants; best sorts mixed.

Schizanthus, The flowers look like beautiful little butterflies, and are borne in great number. In colors they are very fine, and should be more extensively cultivated.

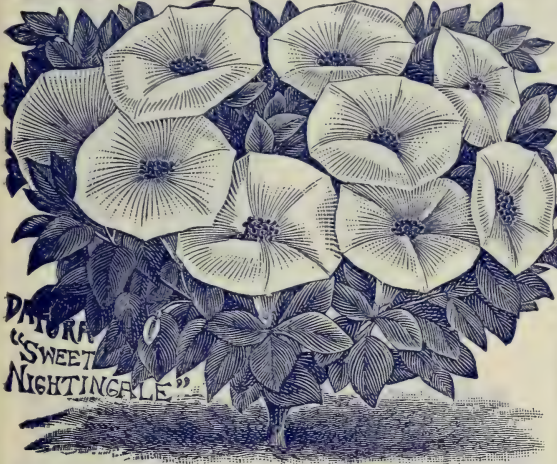
Solanum, fine ornamental fruit-bearing plants of great beauty; best sorts mixed.

Sensitive Plant, a fine, old and curious plant.

All seed on this page 5c. per pkt., 4 pkts. for 15c., 7 pkts. for 25c., 15 pkts. for 50c.

EVENING BLOOMERS.

WE rejoice that people are beginning to appreciate evening flowers. Charming as they are they have long been neglected, but in future we shall find in nearly every garden a bed of evening flowers which will be a center of attraction. Do not understand that "Evening" flowers are in bloom only at night. Far from it. As a rule they open about four o'clock in the afternoon, and remain in full glory until ten or eleven o'clock the next day. They are all fragrant, and some of them are among the fairest and sweetest floral gems. Plant a bed of evening flowers and when you walk in your garden during the pleasant hours of twilight and early morn, you will bless the charming *Enotheras*, the sweet *Nicotiana*, the great Silvery *Daturas*, and the brilliant *Mirabilis*, as they look up to you with so much charming beauty and sweetness.



Datura "Sweet Nightingale."

This was one of our very finest novelties two years ago, and it is a plant which will adorn any garden and add to its beauty. It is closely allied to the Grand *Brugmansia*, and like that plant it possesses a striking beauty not often seen, its enormous flowers attracting every eye. It is a grand evening flower, opening about sunset and lasting till nearly noon the next day. Flowers, pure white, 9 inches long and 6 to 8 inches wide at the top. Its delicious fragrance fills the evening air. It is a free bloomer..... 10



MIRABILIS, TOM THUMB.

MATHIOLA.

Mirabilis, (Four O'Clock.)

This one of the most brilliant and showy plants that can be grown with little or no trouble. Plant in clumps or masses and they will make a dazzling bed during the afternoon and morning. Though old, this brilliant flower has been greatly improved of late years and is now one of the most valuable. Improved Mixed Colors, white, scarlet, crimson, yellow, violet, variegated, etc 5
Tom Thumb, (new dwarf) mixed colors. These new *Mirabilis* are a charming addition to garden annuals. They grow about 15 inches high, forming a dense, bushy plant, covered with a mass of yellowish foliage thickly studded with beautiful blossoms. The plants are such solid masses of bright foliage and flowers that they are exceedingly attractive.... 10



Nicotiana.

Per pkt.

Affinis, three feet high with hundreds of blooms filling the air with a delicious fragrance..... 10
Decurrens, this variety is a dwarf form which branches freely from the ground, giving a great number of flowering branches. It is therefore a prolific bloomer, the flowers being in all respects like *Affinis*, large with long tubes, pure white and exquisitely fragrant. Its great number of flowers open before sundown, and close about ten o'clock next day, re-opening again towards evening. Seed can be started in the house if desired, but when sown in the open ground they commence blooming as early as July.... 15
New Scarlet. See Novelties..... 20

Enothera,

OR

Evening Primrose

Few garden flowers are more charming than the Evening Primroses, with their large saucer shaped blossoms, delightful perfume and soft pure colors of white and yellow shades. Sow seed early in the open ground and they will soon be up and blooming and continue all summer. Mixed Colors..... 10



MATHIOLA.

Mathiola.

A variety of the Ten Weeks Stock, which is hardy and robust, so that seed can be sown in the open ground early. It will commence blooming in June, producing a great profusion of fragrant blossoms.
Bicornis, light lilac pink, very sweet and desirable 19

Special Offer.—The above 8 varieties of evening bloomers form our "Whippoorwill Collection," blooming as they do when that enchanter of the night pours forth its saddest and sweetest of song. We will send the entire collection, one paper each of the 8 varieties, for only 50 cents.

ORNAMENTAL CLIMBERS.

ONE of the most interesting and useful classes of garden plants are the climbers. For making screens, covering fences, old trees, arbors, porches, etc., they are useful adornments to every home garden. In fact, a good variety of Climbers is quite necessary for the good purposes which they serve, to say nothing of their graceful beauty. Some of the kinds, like Sweet Peas and Muraudya, make elegant summer hedges, and furnish abundance of choice flowers. Our collection of Sweet Peas is particularly fine.



COBÆA SCANDENS.
Cobæa.

A fine tall-growing Climber, with large bell-shaped blossoms. A rapid grower; best suited for sheltered situations. Fine for greenhouses. Per pkt.
Scandens, fine purplish-blue..... 10
Alba, fine new white variety..... 10

Convolvulus.

The well-known Morning Glory. A fine hardy and rapid grower, which always gives great satisfaction. They bloom early in the morning, and during the forenoon are brilliant with scores of beautiful flowers of various colors,—white, pink, blue, scarlet, variegated, etc.
Major, mixed, all colors, per oz., 15c..... 5

Canary Bird Flower.

A climber with beautiful cut leaves and elegant canary-colored blossoms. Fine for windows or sheltered situations. A good winter bloomer in the greenhouse. It is one of the most beautiful of all climbers, its elegant foliage adding so much to the beauty of the blossoms.
Tropæolum Canariensis, Canary Bird Flower.., 10



MAURANDYA.



CANARY BIRD FLOWER.

Maurandya.

Started early, and planted out in May, this makes one of the finest of all climbers. It trails beautifully over fences and walls, and its dense green foliage is not killed by the first fall frosts. It keeps until late autumn, and is gay with a profusion of white, rose and violet blossoms. Start seed early as possible, and set the plants in the open ground after warm weather sets in.
Mixed Colors, white, rose, purple, etc..... 5

Gourds, (Ornamental.)

A very useful and ornamental class of rapid growing climbers. The fruit is of various shapes and colors, some very large and others very small. All are hard shelled and will keep for years, never decaying. They are all large and rapid growing climbers; best suited for fences or brush. See other useful Gourds in list of Vegetable Seeds.
All the best sorts, Mixed..... 5



GOURDS.



IPOMŒA.

Ipomœa.

Closely allied to and much like the Morning Glories. The flowers are larger, and the colors more elegant. They are tall and rapid growers, and will give great satisfaction.
Mixed Colors, very beautiful..... 5



BEAUTY OF FLORAL PARK.

if given an opportunity, and makes a most excellent screen or shade to a window or arbor. The blossoms are light scarlet in color, and borne very profusely on long, slender stems, and lend the plant a charming grace and beauty possessed by no other annual climber..... 10

Beauty of Floral Park, its leaves are light green, variegated with white, while its large blossoms are of deep magenta red, with a broad white border...
Cracilla, a new vine whose grace and beauty capture all at sight. It is a vigorous and rapid though not a coarse grower, attaining the height of fifteen or twenty feet,



Cypress Vine.

One of the most elegant of climbers, forming a dense mass of finely cut foliage thickly set with white and scarlet star-shaped blossoms. For training up on poles or strings it is one of the very best of all plants, its charming foliage and bright flowers making such a pretty show.
Mixed Colors.... 5



Sweet Peas.

This is our favorite flower; and in writing about it we feel we can never say enough to do justice to its great beauty and fragrance. The Pansy, the Aster, the Poppy, the Verbena, etc., all have their ardent admirers; but to us give the delicately beautiful, yet brilliant and fragrant, Sweet Pea. For nedges or masses in the garden, trained on brush or strings, they are exceedingly showy; but for cutting for bouquets, vases, corsage, or buttonhole wear, no flower except the rose can equal them. Sweet Peas are so cheap and easily grown, there is no reason why every one should not have them in abundance. To succeed best, sow seed as early as the ground can be worked in the spring. They will soon be out of ground and will need to be supported by brush or strings. They commence blooming early; and if the flowers are picked as fast as they fade, will continue all summer. If allowed to form seed, they will soon stop flowering and die down. The Sweet Pea is to-day one of the most popular garden flowers. Their pretty colors and delightful perfume make them one of the most charming flowers. In weight we sell more Sweet Peas than any other kind of seed we handle. Plant a good lot for the beautiful bouquets of sweet blossoms they will yield you. The collection here offered is superb, all new and improved varieties of great beauty.

	Per pkt.	Oz.
Scarlet Invincible. Fine deep scarlet.....	5	20
Pure White. Splendid.....	5	20
Adonis. New carmine rose; fine.....	5	20
Black. Dark purple black.....	5	20
Butterfly. White, laced with blue; extra.....	5	20
Crown Princess. Bright blush; lovely.....	10	40
Dark Red. Rich and fine.....	5	20
Fairy Queen. White and rose.....	10	40
Grand Blue. New and superb.....	15	50
Indigo King. Deep blue; new.....	20	75
Princess of Wales. White, striped blue.....	20	75
Queen of the Isles. Scarlet, mottled white...	5	20
Painted Lady. Lovely pink and white.....	5	20
Violet Queen. Fine violet; new.....	10	30
Vesuvius. This is unlike any Sweet Pea hitherto known. The upper petals are distinctly spotted on a rosy ground color, shading into purple at the throat. The lower petals, or standard, are of a velvety violet, shading off into lilac toward the edge.....	10	40
Blanche Ferry. Ten days earlier than any other. Largest flowered. Most perfect in form. Most beautiful. Most fragrant. It is so compact and bush-like in habit, that it can be grown without support. The plant throws up innumerable flower stems, each bearing three or four of the immense pink and white flowers.....	10	30
Mixed Colors of all the above, and many others; extra fine quality; per lb., \$1.00....	5	15
Special Offer. For only 75 cents we will send one packet each of above 16 grand sorts.		

Tropæolum.



TROPÆO-LUM LOBBIANUM.

These are climbing varieties of the Nasturtium, which are exceedingly rapid growers and very showy. The Lobbianum are the best adapted for window or greenhouse climbers, and produce flowers in great profusion. Very fine for winter blooming.

Per pkt.
Mixed Colors, 5 Lobbianum, mixed colors. Splendid for house culture in winter or summer, giving a great profusion of brilliant bloom.....10



Thunbergia.

Very fine trailing plants, producing masses of pretty flowers. When allowed to trail on the ground they make a beautiful bed. The colors are delicate and beautiful.

Mixed Colors..... 10

Our "Popular Collection of Climbers."

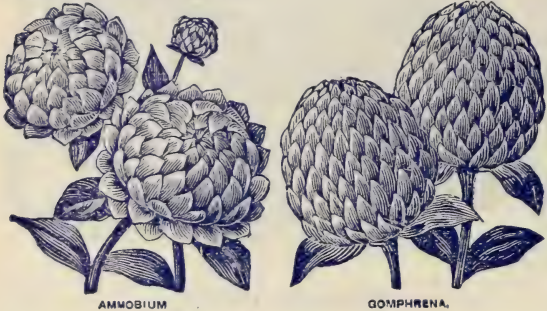
For only 50 cents we will send one packet each of the following, all mixed colors: Cobæa, Cypress Vine, Convolvulus, Canary Bird Flower, Gourds, Ipomæa, Maurandya, Sweet Peas, Tropæolum, and Thunbergia. At regular prices they amount to 70 cents. In ordering, simply ask for "Popular Collection of Climbers." 10 packets for 50 cents.

EVERLASTING FLOWERS.

THESE are justly very popular, not only for their summer display in the garden, but they retain their beauty for years by being cut and dried, and may be made up into various forms for parlor and festive decorations and used at a time when it is impossible to have fresh cut flowers. Plant a good variety of Everlastings and dry them for winter decorations, and you will ever thank yourself for doing it.

Ammobium.

Bears great numbers of small blossoms as double as Roses. Seeds can be sown early in open ground. Per pkt. 5



AMMOBIUM

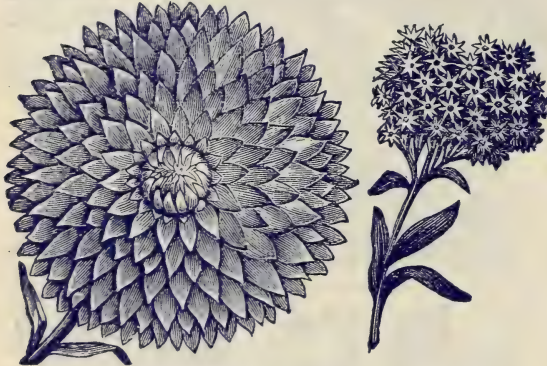
GOMPHRENA.

Gomphrena.

Known as Globe Amaranthus, and is a species of the Cockscomb; with good sized blossoms as round as a ball. Start in a frame or pot, if possible, and transplant. All Colors, Mixed, white, crimson, orange, etc..... 5

Acroclinium.

A free growing Everlasting, with very delicate colored flowers which have golden yellow centers. One of the best. Mixed Colors, white and rosy pink..... 5
New Double, Mixed Colors, very fine indeed..... 10



DOUBLE ACROCLINIUM.

HELIPTERUM.

Rhodanthe.

An exceedingly beautiful flower, and one which possesses a grace and beauty seldom seen. As an Everlasting it is indispensable, and as a pot or garden flower it is elegant. Seed sown in early spring or winter and grown in pots, blooms in a short time and makes a most magnificent display. Sown later in the open ground they are a grand summer flower. For drying they are very graceful and pretty made up into dry bouquets.

Per pkt.

Manglesi, splendid, bright rosy pink.. 5
Alba, pure white, contrasts beautifully with the pink..... 5



RHODANTHE.



HELICHRYSUM.

Helichrysum.

This is probably the most valuable of all Everlastings. Its large flowers are perfectly double and of the most brilliant colors. Cut the flowers when they first begin to expand and dry with stems straight. Seed can be sown in the open ground.

Per pkt.

Monstrosum, mixed colors, very large..... 8
Dwarf, mixed colors, compact and free flowering... 8
Fire Ball, deep fiery red, large and double; new..... 10
Golden Ball, golden yellow; new..... 10
Snow Ball, pure white..... 10

Helipterum.

A valuable sort, bearing compact clusters of bright golden flowers. They dry finely and keep well. Sanford, fine yellow..... 5

Xeranthemum.

A very desirable class of free-flowering Everlastings. It furnishes about the only blue color we have in Everlastings. Easily grown from seed in open ground.

Mixed Colors..... 5
Suberbissima, new, double blue; very fine..... 10



XERANTHEMUM.



ORNAMENTAL GRASS.

Ornamental Grasses.

These are most useful and necessary to cut and dry for making up with bouquets of Everlastings. They are elegant and graceful and equally valuable as Everlastings for decorative purposes. They can be sown in the garden early.

All the Best Varieties, Mixed, a fine mixture of all the best and most useful annual varieties, per oz. 25c..... 8
Pampas Grass, very fine, with enormous ostrich-like plumes two feet long..... 10

Special Offer.—For 75 cents we will send one packet each of above 16 Everlastings and Grasses.

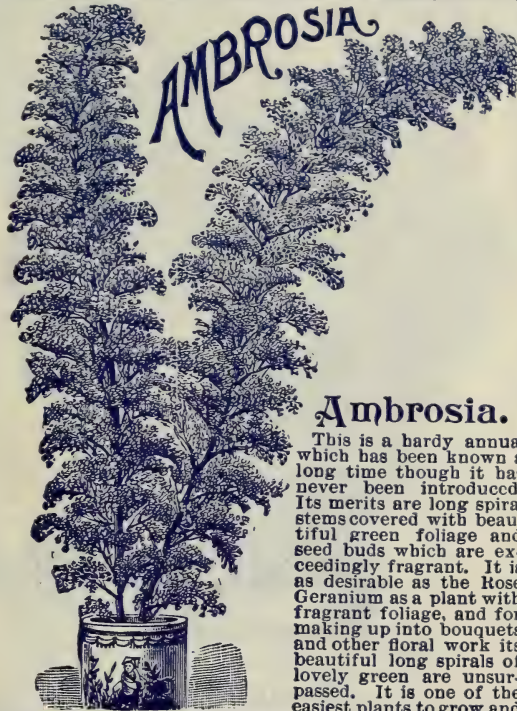
Plants With Fragrant Foliage.

THIS is the first attempt to get together and offer collectively plants with fragrant leaves, and while the variety worthy of presentment is not large, our friends will, we think, appreciate their true worth. What is more desirable and refreshing than pretty sprays and branches of bright green, fragrant foliage? They are always wanted. A bouquet is not complete without it, a basket, vase or bunch of cut flowers of any sort is never complete without some pretty fragrant foliage. Even so small an affair as a button-hole bouquet should have its fragrant green. The following sorts are the best known to us, and probably all that is desirable which can be grown from seed. The Eucalyptus makes a large tree and is a superb novelty. Apple Geranium is best grown in pots, while the others are all suitable for garden culture.

Lemon Verbena.

This elegant, fragrant plant is easily grown from seed and succeeds well. Have a good bed of it in the garden over summer, that you can cut its fragrant foliage and flowers to make up with bouquets.

Per pkt.
Lemon Verbena, choicest seed 10



AMBROSIA

Ambrosia.

This is a hardy annual which has been known a long time though it has never been introduced. Its merits are long spiral stems covered with beautiful green foliage and seed buds which are exceedingly fragrant. It is as desirable as the Rose Geranium as a plant with fragrant foliage, and for making up into bouquets and other floral work its beautiful long spirals of lovely green are unsurpassed. It is one of the easiest plants to grow and seed may be sown early in the open ground. It takes its popular name, Ambrosia, from the unsurpassed fragrance of its foliage..... 10

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Artemisa Anna.



ARTEMISA ANNA

This plant supplies a want which has been long felt, viz: a hardy, robust annual, giving abundance of elegant, graceful, fern-like foliage, for working into bouquets or other arrangements of cut flowers. But this is not all, its foliage and compact sprays of miniature green buds and blossoms are HIGHLY FRAGRANT, having the strong, delicate and refreshing odor of the Chamomile. This at once makes a most valuable foliage plant for cutting, one of the best that can be grown in the garden. It is a robust grower, attaining a height of two to three feet, and furnishing a great quantity of its charming foliage and beautiful green sprays of tiny buds, and of such delightful fragrance. Seed may be sown early in the open ground. Try it, friends..... 10

Gracils., beautiful feathery foliage of great beauty and fragrance..... 20

Special Offer—For only 50 cents we will send one packet each of these seven fragrant foliage plants.



LEMON VERBENA

APPLE GERANIUM

Geranium, Apple Scented.

This fine Geranium has highly fragrant leaves, the smell of which resembles rich, luscious apples. It is one of the most desirable foliage plants, and grows freely from seed, coming into bloom in a few months.

Apple Scented..... 15



CHAMOMILE

Chamomile.

This old and much esteemed hardy plant is seldom seen now-a-days. The fragrance of its foliage is strong and most refreshing.

Scotch, flowers white..... 15

Eucalyptus Citroides,

THE FRAGRANT TREE.

This grows to be a large tree, but from the first its leaves are rich in delicious perfume resembling that of the Lemon Verbena. Nothing in the form of a shrub or tree can surpass it for delicious fragrance. For cut, and full description see Flower Seed Novelties.

Citroides, fragrant tree..... 20

CHOICE SELECT SEED.

FOR GREENHOUSE AND WINDOW CULTURE.

THE following choice seeds are all scarce and expensive. We quote them at prices as low as possible, the quality being the best that the world produces. Our seed of these rare plants must not be confounded with the cheap grades usually imported into this country, for they are from the prize strains of Europe, fresh and pure, and are not surpassed by any ever grown here or abroad. Our Primula, Cineraria, Gloxinia, Calceolaria, Coleus, Carnation, etc., is not to be excelled anywhere. It is a very pleasant task to grow rare plants from seed; watching them day by day as they develop and bloom, affords a great deal of pleasure to any one who loves flowers. Those who have never seen good plants of Gloxinia, Cineraria, Calceolaria, Begonia, Primula, etc., in bloom, have little idea of their great beauty and loveliness. Greenhouse seed should be sown in pots or boxes at any time during spring or summer, and covered with glass until they germinate. We think it better to start the seed in the spring, or before July.

Abutilon.

Splendid greenhouse shrubs with maple-like leaves and beautiful bell-shaped flowers of various colors. Plants grow rapidly from seed, and bloom in about four months from the time of planting. They are very valuable when grown merely for summer flowering in the garden, where they thrive splendidly and bloom profusely. Many of them have beautifully variegated leaves, which, in themselves, are very ornamental indeed. The Abutilon is one of the easiest and most satisfactory of all plants to grow from seed. Do not fail to try it. Per pkt.

Choicest Hybrids, mixed colors, white, yellow, pink, orange, red, etc. These are the finest of all Abutilons. 20



ABUTILON.



AGAVE.

Agave.

Agaves, Aloes and Gasterias are much alike in general form and habit, all being beautiful succulents. As pot plants they are superb and easy to grow. They grow readily and rapidly from seed. Mixed sorts, finest Agaves, Aloes and Gasterias. 20



BEGONIA.



ACACIA.

Begonia.

This is one of the leading and most beautiful window plants. They are of exceedingly easy culture and produce a great profusion of elegant flowers. The seed is fine and will need great care in sowing. Plants often bloom in six or eight months from seed.

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids, mixed. Elegant tuberous-rooted sorts with large showy blossoms. 30

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids, double, mixed, fine double. 50

Mixed Seed, of many sorts. 25



ANTHEMIS.

Anthemis.

A plant which has of late years become exceedingly popular, both for bedding and for pot culture. It has beautiful foliage and great masses of large blossoms, which are as double and perfect as a rose, and borne in profusion at all times of the year. It blooms very quickly from seed.

Per pkt.
Arabica, beautiful golden yellow. 10
Purpurea, fine brown red. 10

Acacia.

Shrubby plants of great beauty, having beautifully cut fern-like foliage and an abundance of charming spray-like flowers which are very sweet. For cutting, its sprays of bloom are magnificent. The plant is hardy in the southern and Pacific states, and a fine pot plant north.

Finest Sorts Mixed. 15

Carnation.



CARNATION.

This elegant flower should be grown more generally from seed. Seed germinates as freely and plants are as easily raised as its first cousin, the Dianthus. Plants from seed sown in April will commence blooming in August and continue all winter.

Good Mixed. 10
Fancy, Extra Choice, mixed; variegated colors. 25
Perpetual Tree, or monthly; extra choice. 25
New Hardy, grand strain of hardy free bloomers; elegant for either pots or open ground. 20
Margaret, see Novelties. 15



VARIETY OF CACTI.

Cacti.

This curious and beautiful class of plants are easily grown from seed, and no one need fail with them. Sow in soil composed of two-thirds clean sand, with good drainage. When they have grown to a proper size for handling pot off into small pots. Use water sparingly. Per pkt.

Mixed Sorts, 30 to 40 best varieties..... 20
Cholla Cactus, (*Lurida*). It grows 2 to 4 feet high, branching like a tree, and producing hundreds of large golden yellow, sweet-scented flowers..... 20

Convolvulus Mauritanicus.

As a plant for a bracket or hanging pot this has no superior. It is a beautiful trailer and is profusely in bloom all times of the year. The flowers are large and of a most lovely shade of blue. This plant possesses rare grace and beauty and will delight all who see it. It commences to bloom very early from seed and continues all the time. It is easily propagated from cuttings; lovely free bloomer. 10



COLEUS.

Coleus.

Well known as the finest foliage bedding plant in existence. Our seed is saved from the finest new large-leaved varieties and will produce elegant sorts with foliage of the most brilliant and beautiful colors and variegations.

Extra Choice, mixed, finest new sorts..... 25



CALCEOLARIA.

Calceolaria.

Another exceedingly showy house plant, which, when in bloom, is, indeed, a rare beauty, having hundreds of showy pocket-like flowers of various colors, some spotted and marked elegantly. Treat like Primulas or Cinerarias.

Hybrids, mixed colors, extra choice seed..... 25
Rugosa, mixed, fine for open ground during summer..... 15

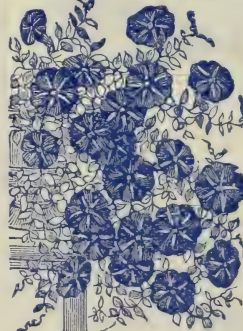
Cyclamen.



Few pot plants are so desirable as Cyclamen Persicum and Giganteum, especially for winter blooming. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in the greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from twelve to fifty well-developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate blush and pink shades prevailing. Often the flowering

er will be spotted and marked, or in other ways showing two distinct colors. The foliage is also very beautiful, being variegated with different shades of green, and helps to show off the flowers which rise above it to a remarkable degree.

Persicum, very fine, all colors, mixed..... 20
Giganteum, a new, large-flowering form..... 40



CONVOLVULUS MAURITANICUS.

Fern.

FERN.

Ferns are useful for winter decorations, baskets, wardian cases, and for cool, shady nooks in the garden.

Mixed Sorts, all the best varieties..... 25



CINERARIA, DWARF HYBRIDS.

Cineraria.

For a showy greenhouse or window flower the Cineraria has few equals, bearing as it does hundreds of large showy flowers of various colors and markings. They usually bloom during late winter and early spring when showy flowers are exceedingly rare. From seed they grow very quickly and are easily managed and bloom the first winter. Keep the plants in a cool, shady place during summer. Per pkt. **Dwarf Hybrids**, large flowering, mixed colors; the best. 25 **Double, Extra Choice**, mixed; magnificent. 50

Heliotrope.

A very fragrant and desirable flower. They do finely bedded out in the garden where they will bloom all summer and when carefully lifted, potted, cut back and brought into a light, warm window they bloom most beautifully during winter. The flowers are always prized for their delicious fragrance.



HELIOTROPE.

- Rio des Noirs**, large panicles of black-blue flowers. 15
- White Lady**, superb pure white. 15
- Queen of Violets**, beautiful violet. 10
- Mixed Sorts**, all the best. 10

Lantana.

Seedlings grow quickly and bloom the first summer. They are exceedingly fine for summer bedding, and as pot plants they are everywhere popular. The strain here offered is superb, embracing all colors, White, Yellow, Crimson, Orange, Pink, etc., all the finest large flowering sorts. **Mixed Large Flowering Sorts**. 10

Gloxinia.

Description and illustration of our fine Gloxinias with offers of both seeds and bulbs will be found elsewhere in this Catalogue. **Mixed All Colors**, Tigered, Spotted, Crassifolia, etc. A grand collection. 25



GERANIUM.



LANTANA.

Geranium.

These beautiful plants are very easily raised from seed, and the seed here offered will produce new varieties equal to the very best. With good care plants will bloom within six or seven months from the time the seed is sown. There is no better way to get a fine lot of Geraniums than to grow them from seed. Per pkt.

- Zonale**, choice mixed, from fine sorts. 10
- Zonale**, extra choice, mixed from finest new varieties. 20
- Apple Scented**, very delightfully scented leaves. 15
- Double Mixed**, saved especially for us from the finest new sorts, and will produce some of the best double varieties in existence. 30
- Bronze and Silver Tricolor**, fine foliage sorts. 30
- Pelargonium or Lady Washington**, fine mixed. 30

Musa Ensette.



MUSA.

The great Abyssinian Banana, so beautiful for bedding purposes. It grows several feet high with enormous leaves, which are highly ornamental. **Ensette**, per packet of five seeds. 20

Palms!

Fillifera, the beautiful Weeping Palm that is so hardy and robust. It grows very rapidly from seed. See plant department for full description. 10 **Mixed Sorts**, many of the best. 20



PASSIFLORA.



PALM.

Passiflora.

This elegant vine is easily grown from seed, and it is well worth anyone's while to try it. They are very beautiful for windows, and when planted out in summer they make a magnificent climber growing very rapidly. **Mixed Sorts**. 10 **Scarlet**, rare and beautiful. 20

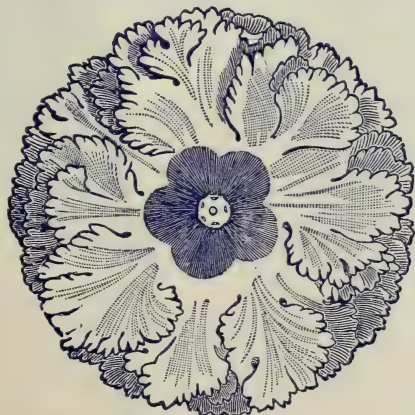


DOUBLE PRIMULA.

Primula Sinensis.

We doubt if there is a greenhouse or window plant more popular than the Primrose. It is justly popular, first for its elegant flowers and long continued season of bloom, which extends nearly through the whole year, and second, on account of its ease of culture, thriving in a window where there is little or no sun which few plants will do. It is not particular as to situation and is never attacked by insects. It is a plant that will thrive in any window for anybody. It grows readily from seed and there is no reason why every lover of beautiful flowers should not have a good lot of these elegant plants. Our seed is from the choicest strains in Europe and cannot be excelled. Per pkt.

- Mixed, very good; from a fine large-flowering collection. 10
- Fimbriata, extra fine; large-flowering, mixed. 20
- “ Felicifolia, mixed, (Fern-leaved Primula)... 20
- “ Flora Plena, Alba, fine double white. 50
- “ “ Rosea, fine double Rose. 50
- “ “ Mixed, double. The double Primulas are truly magnificent. . 50
- “ Globosa, mixed colors. A new strain of the Sinensis Fimbriata type, with large fringed flowers, of fine shape and bright colors, and borne in great clusters. The plants are dwarf and compact in growth, which makes them extra fine for pot culture. Colors white, red, pink, striped, etc. Our customers will find this an extra fine strain. 30
- Obconica, a most valuable new species, being a strong, vigorous grower and in bloom every day in the year. ... 20
- Japonica, Mixed Colors, flowers in umbel spikes of various colors and very fine. 15
- Auricula, very beautiful indeed, with rich and striking colors. They bloom in clusters and are always greatly admired; hardy for garden culture. 10
- Cortusoides, another fine hardy species and admirable for garden culture. Flowers deep rose in umbels. ... 10



PRIMULA FIMBRIATA—NATURAL SIZE.



TROPAEOLIUM ORIOLE.

Tropaeolium Oriole.

The Oriole Tropaeoliums are to be classed among the most beautiful plants for constant blooming either in pots or out of doors. They will climb or trail as desired, showing an abundance of pretty leaves and blossoms which capture every heart at sight. They are large, beautifully fimbriated, dark canary yellow, marked and spotted with bright scarlet in such a way as to make them perfectly fascinating. The plants are literally crowded with flowers at all times, and it is impossible to describe their true beauty. As a window plant nothing can possibly be more satisfactory. Per pkt. Oriole, and its varieties, spotted, striped, variegated, etc. 15



Smilax.

We doubt if one of our customers in a hundred have ever seen a string of smilax in bloom. Though grown principally for its elegant green foliage, so indispensable for floral work, it nevertheless bears flowers by the thousand, which for rare and graceful beauty and delicate fragrance cannot be excelled. Smilax requires a nice sunny window and freedom from dust. It grows very quickly from seed.

Smilax, extra fine seed, 10

Rose.

Tea and Polyanthus Roses grow freely from seed and bloom profusely the first summer; in fact they will bloom almost or quite as quickly as will a Zinnia or Balsam. This fact is not generally known, or there would be an enormous call for Rose seed.

- Tea Roses, mixed, all colors, white, pink, yellow, scarlet, etc. . 20
- Polyanthus Roses, all colors, mixed; extra fine. 20
- Mixed Rose Seed, all sorts. 25



HARDY PERENNIALS,

Which Flower the Second Season, from Seed.

IN THIS list are offered only such Hardy Plants as live in the ground over winter, and bloom profusely every year after the first. The fact that they do not bloom the first year should not deter any one from planting them for they are among the very best of all garden flowers, and require the least care and attention. They mostly bloom early when there are no other flowers. What could we do without the Aquilegias, Delphiniums, Digitalis, Hollyhocks, Picotees, Sweet Williams, etc.? A garden would seem no garden at all to us without a good variety of Hardy Perennials. Seed can be sown in the open ground from May to middle of July. Sow a good collection of these seeds this spring and you will ever after thank yourself for it.



AQUILEGIA.

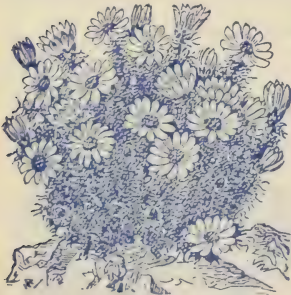
Aquilegia.

- The well-known Columbines are a showy June flower and always greatly admired. Per pkt.
- Prizo Mixturo**, this strain a fancier has been over seven years collecting and improving, and it embraces more than one hundred varieties, double and single, and of all shapes and colors..... 10
- Chrysantha**, large golden yellow..... 5
- Stuarti**, a grand novelty. Flowers 4 inches across, corolla blue, sepals white, very early and free bloomer; grand..... 25
- Verveineana**, beautiful variegated foliage and charming flowers..... 10

Adonis.

A magnificent plant, producing in early spring large flowers which are exceedingly showy. It should be more generally grown as it blooms at a time when such bright flowers are always greatly appreciated. Try it by all means.

Vernalis, bright yellow..... 5



ADONIS.



CAMPANULA.

Campanula.

The well-known and very popular Canterbury Bells. They bloom very early in spring when flowers are scarce.

Double, Mixed Colors..... 5

Digitalis.

These, the well-known Fox-gloves, are one of the finest June flowers. Spikes of bloom two feet long are produced in abundance and are very fine. Per pkt.

Cloxinoides, mixed colors, variegated with elegant Gloxin spots..... 5



DIGITALIS GLOXINOIDES.



DELPHINIUM.

Delphinium.

These grow several feet high and bear immense spikes of beautiful blossoms. They bloom early in spring and again in summer and fall, which makes them particularly desirable.

Hybrids, extra fine, mixed colors..... 5

Iris.

These lovely plants are easily raised from seed, growing freely and succeeding admirably with every one.

Kaempferi, mixed colors, double and single; grand beyond description..... 10

Germanica, fine mixed colors..... 5

Sibirica, lovely yellow, blue and white mixed..... 5



IRIS.



CANDYTUFT PRUITI.

Candytuft, (Iberis).

A fine new dwarf hardy Candytuft is here offered. No one can realize its great beauty until they see it. Plants stand over winter and in early spring break out into a mass of the finest flowers. Do not miss this rare plant.

Pruiti, dwarf, early; extra fine..... 10

Sempervirens, fine large white hardy Candytuft..... 5

Honeysuckle.

A beautiful climber, which grows rapidly from seed, and blooms freely. Per pkt.
Mixed Sorts, many fine varieties..... 15
Pure White, a very fine sweet-scented Honeysuckle.... 10
Scarlet, fine bright color..... 10



HONEYSUCKLE,



PICOTEE,

Picotee Pinks.

These are the Hardy Carnations, with an array of elegant colors, which stand our winters, and give us an abundance of showy blossoms early in the season.
Double, all Colors, Mixed, a magnificent collection, including all the elegant variegated sorts..... 15

Hollyhocks.

Our strain of Double Hollyhocks is truly grand. Flowers very large and perfectly double; colors very brilliant; embracing yellow, lemon, white, black, rose, pink, deep red, variegated, etc. They produce spikes of bloom four and five feet long, which are exceedingly showy for backgrounds, against walls or fences, or for centers of beds. The Hollyhock is an exceedingly popular flower, and both seed and plant are in great demand. Plants will be found offered in Department of Hardy Bulbs and Plants. Seed can be sown in open ground at any time from May to September, and will bloom freely the next season.

- Double White**, pure and true..... 10
- Double Magenta**, fine bright color..... 10
- Double Lemon**, pure, bright lemon-yellow.. 10
- Double Pink**, very delicate and pretty..... 10
- Midnight**, double black 10

Double, Mixed Colors, very choice, embracing over twenty different shades..... 10
Gem of Yellow, this is a new sort, very dwarf and very double, and of the finest brilliant yellow color. The flowers set so close on the stalks that it is one gigantic spike of bloom. It is the finest of all Hollyhocks..... 10

One paper each of above seven sorts, 50 cents.

Perennial Pea.

A beautiful climber; resembling the Sweet Pea, except its blossoms are borne in large clusters. Blooms very early.
Mixed Colors, rose, white and red..... 5
White, very fine..... 10

Sweet William.

This old and popular flower has been greatly improved the last few years. The flowers are twice as large as they used

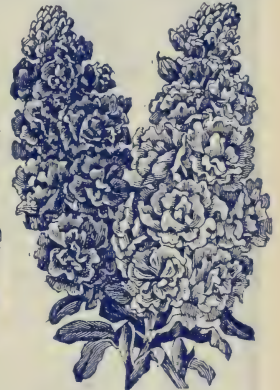


SWEET WILLIAM, CHILDS' IMPROVED.

to be, and the colors bright and varied. In fine colors and perfect form, Childs' Improved are the best of all. The Sweet William is a most elegant garden flower. Per pkt.
Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors, produced after years of careful saving and selecting, perfect in form, large in size, and brilliant and varied in colors..... 10
Double, Mixed Colors, fine double flowers..... 10
Double White, new and very fine..... 10



PERENNIAL PEA,



WALLFLOWER.

Wallflower.

A fragrant, hardy perennial, closely allied to the Ten Weeks stock. Highly esteemed by many.
Double, Mixed Colors..... 10

Violet.

Some of these are easily grown from seed, and no garden is complete without a good bed of them.

Perpetual White, very fine and free blooming..... 10
The Czar, new, bearing the largest flowers; of rich, deep blue color, and very sweet..... 15



VIOLET.

Yucca Filamentosa.

One of the most ornamental of all hardy plants, being an evergreen forming a dense clump of beautiful foliage, which is attractive both summer and winter, but when in bloom its grandeur can best be appreciated. In July it throws up a flower-spike often higher than a man's head, on which are borne hundreds of large elegant bell-shaped white blossoms..... 10

VEGETABLE SEEDS,

OF SUPERIOR QUALITY FOR FAMILY AND MARKET USE.

The varieties of Vegetable Seeds we offer are confined to the *very best* standard and new sorts and are all that can be desired for a family or market garden. We might catalogue a much larger list of kinds, but it seems useless, as those offered are of the greatest merit. We are proud to say that our Seeds have always given universal satisfaction and are excelled by none in point of purity, freshness and highly perfected qualities. The varieties we offer we intend shall be far above the ordinary grades. Those who plant our seeds can rely upon having choice vegetables. Nothing is a greater comfort or more profitable to a family than a good vegetable garden. It is drawn upon every day of the year for healthful and delicious food. In point of quality, vegetables fresh from the garden have no comparison with those purchased in the markets, which have usually become wilted and stale before they reach the table. There is nothing like the pure article fresh from the garden. We call special attention to our list of vegetable novelties. Try them and always bear in mind that it is as easy to raise good varieties as poor ones. *All Seeds offered are sent by mail, postage paid, at price quoted.*



ASPARAGUS, NEW MAMMOTH.

We believe this to be the most valuable sort in cultivation. For fine flavor, productiveness, enormous size and quick growth, it has no superior. It is full size for cutting the third year from seed, or the second season from roots; in this respect ahead of all others. The stalks are of enormous size, very tender and delicious. It starts very early, and its season of cutting continues to the very latest. Seeds, 10c. per pkt.; per oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.00. Fine roots, 75c. per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

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ARTICHOKEE

Artichokes.

Globe, is cultivated for its flower heads, which are cooked like Asparagus. On account of its hardiness, easy culture and perennial nature, this plant should be more generally grown. Plants set in any good garden soil two feet apart, with slight coverings in winter, will remain in bearing a long time. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Beans, Pole.

We offer but a very few varieties of Pole Beans, but they are the best ones known to cultivation.

Golden Wax Flageolet, a new sort, of great beauty, productiveness and superb quality. The vines are crowded with bunches of handsome pods 7 to 8 inches in length, golden yellow, round, full and fleshy, entirely free from strings and of superb quality. Vines grow and bear from early until late. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 35c.; qt., 60c.



CHILDS' HORTICULTURAL.

Childs' Horticultural.

The old Horticultural or Cranberry Pole Bean stands to-day as one of the very finest, if not the best, both as a String Bean or Shelled. Its delicious quality is not excelled if equalled by any other. One of its greatest drawbacks is that it is not very prolific, the pods being short and containing only three or four beans. The value of Childs' New Horticultural will be understood when we say that its pods grow in clusters, are six inches in length and average seven beans to the pod, and further that it is much earlier than the old sort. The pods are very beautiful, mottled with creamy white and rosy scarlet, and as they hang from the poles in great clusters among the rank leaves, they present a most beautiful sight. The beans are white, speckled and blotched with scarlet, and when cooked, either with pods or shelled, they are unexcelled in delicious quality. Per pkt., 10c.; per pt., 40c.; per qt., 75c.

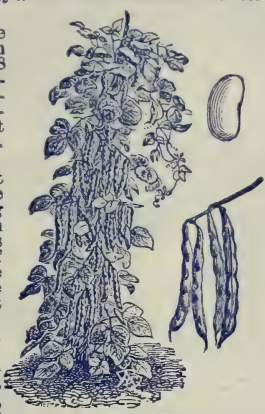
Lazy Wife's, pods entirely stringless, and of rich, buttery flavor, retaining their rich flavor until nearly ripe. Beans white and of superb quality, shelled green or as a dry bean for winter use. One of the very best of all beans. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 35c.; qt., 60c.

Yard Long or Cuban Asparagus. This is a curiosity, with dark green foliage, and pods growing *two feet and upwards in length*. The pods of such extraordinary length, are produced so abundantly as to almost conceal the foliage. Pkt. 15c., pint 50c.

Early Golden Cluster. The pods are a beautiful golden yellow, and are from 6 to 8 inches long, borne profusely in clusters of 4 to 6; continues to produce an abundance of pods until frost sets in. Excellent. Pkt. 10c., pint 40c., quart 75c.

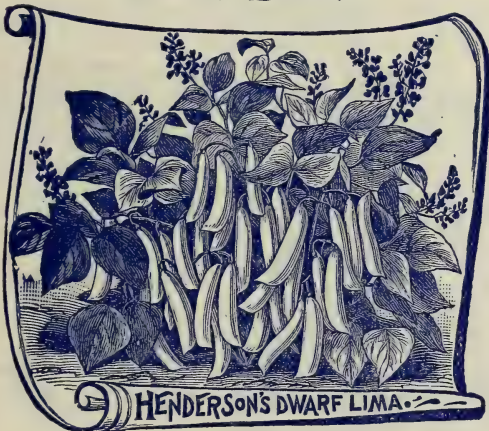
Mammoth Podded Lima. It is a great cropper, the enormous pods containing 4, 5 or 6 beans each, which are also very large. Its quality is the best, and if you grow Limas, this is the best for you to have above all others. Pkt. 15c., pint 50c.

King of the Garden Lima. This is a vigorous grower, producing pods of extremely large size, and filling out to their ends with large, luscious beans. The plant should not be closer than three to a hill, as they require plenty of room to develop their luxuriant foliage and heavy clusters of beans. Pkt. 15c., pint 40c.; qt., 75c.



GOLDEN CLUSTER.

Bush Beans.



HENDERSON'S DWARF LIMA.

Henderson's Bush Lima, a new Lima growing in a bush form, and very fine and valuable. It supplies a long-felt want, for while not so large as the pole Limas, its ease of culture more than makes up for the difference. Pkt. 10c., pint 35c., quart 60c.



BEAN, IVORY POD WAX.



BEAN, NEW EARLY GOLDEN-EYED WAX.

New Early Golden-Eyed Wax. This is ten days earlier than any Golden Wax Bean. It is absolutely rust-proof. Many claim this quality, but no Wax that we ever saw was entirely free from rust but this one. Quality tender and rich, and an immense bearer. Our market gardeners who tried a few on our recommendation, are wild over it. They call it a bait to attract customers to their wagons, so bright and handsome it appears. The pods are semi-flat. By far the most valuable Wax ever raised for market gardeners or family use. Pkt. 10c., pint 30c., quart 50c.

Extra-Early Refugee, is fully ten days earlier than any other strain of Refugee. This allows you plenty of time to market the bean before any other Refugee is in market. It is a sure and enormous bearer, round pod and handsome, and will produce a crop in a wet or dry season. Is immensely valuable to all market gardeners. Pkt. 10c., pint 30c., quart 60c.

Wax Date, a new German variety of great value, as it is the earliest of all Wax Beans. The pods are golden yellow, six to seven inches long, very fleshy, entirely free from strings, and of the most delicious quality. Pkt. 10c., pint 30c., quart 55c.

Ivory Pod Wax, pod long, brittle, stringless, white, tender, succulent, and of a rich, creamy flavor. Very productive, the vines being a perfect mat of pods the entire season. Pkt. 10c., pint 30c., quart 50c.

Early Six Weeks, old, but one of the best and most reliable sorts. Pkt. 10c., pint 30c., quart 50c.

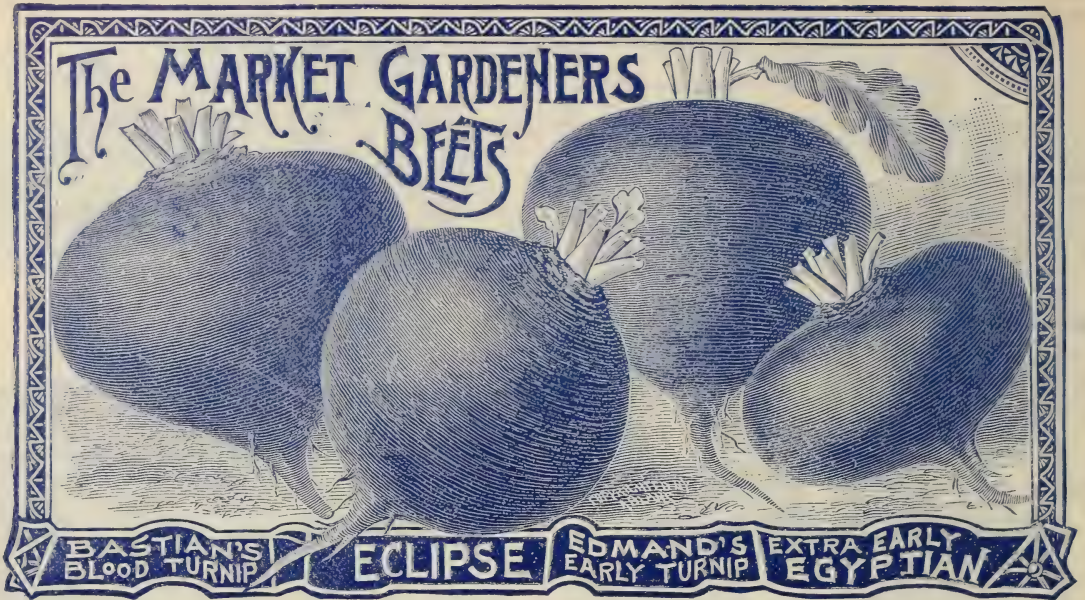
Perfection Wax, a new sort, with golden yellow pods, of very high quality. It is enormously prolific. Pkt. 10c., pint 30c., quart 55c.

Mexican Prolific Tree. A prolific field variety. Has produced 60 bushels per acre. On one vine we counted 895 full-sized pods. Pkt. 10c., pint 25c., quart 40c.



BEAN, YOSEMITE MONSTER WAX.

Yosemite Monster Wax, a very distinct Novelty, combining exquisite quality and productiveness with enormous size. The mammoth pods average 8 to 10 inches in length, are the thickness of a man's finger, full of fleshy pulp, and of a rich golden color, making a most handsome appearance either on the plant or on the table. We feel sure that the great size and handsome waxen appearance will make this *giant bean* a favorite for family gardens and exhibition. Pkt. 10c., pint 40c., quart 75c.



Beets.

The Beet is a valuable and popular vegetable, not only for its roots, but for the delicious greens which its young plants furnish. Seed should be sown every two weeks for a succession of greens during the summer.

Edmand's Blood Turnip, of handsome round shape, skin very deep blood-red; flesh very dark, and exceedingly sweet and tender. Grow regularly, of good marketable size, not growing over-large and coarse as do many sorts of the turnip beet when they have plenty of room. They mature early, have given the very best satisfaction as a bunch beet in the market of Boston. Are of excellent quality, with small top, making it very desirable for bunching. Will remain sweet and tender longer than any other sort. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., lb. 75c.

Eclipse, the most valuable of all beets on account of its extreme earliness; small top smooth, round shape, deep crimson color, and unequal quality. With these merits it needs no further praise from us. Our stock is pure. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.

Improved Early Blood Turnip, very fine. Per pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Early Egyptian Dark Turnip, an early and exceedingly high flavored sort, which is exceedingly popular where known. Per pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c., lb., 75c.

Improved Long Smooth Blood Red, an old and popular sort. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb. 60c.

Bastian's Blood Turnip, extra early. Quick, large growth; very sweet and tender, retaining its fine, blood-red color when cooked. Highly esteemed by market gardeners in the South, and is undoubtedly one of the best. Pkt. 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.

Black Queen, we have not often had occasion to bring such a good garden Beet as this to the notice of the public. The root is medium sized, pear-shaped, well-formed, nearly buried in the soil; its flesh is of a black-red color; the leaves are large, broadly crimped and of an extremely deep-red color. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Dracena Leaved, a new sort, largely recommended for its ornamental foliage, which is very fine indeed, being long and narrow and of a dark metallic red color. The root is very dark in color and one of the finest table sorts we have ever tested. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

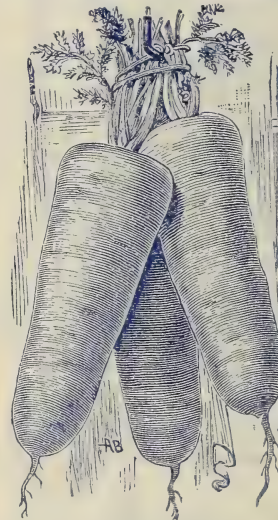
Lane's White Sugar, the sweetest of all, and is largely used in the manufacture of sugar. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Mammoth Long Red Mangel, single roots of this variety weigh from 20 to 30 lbs., and are fine grained and of excellent quality. For stock feeding it is the most valuable, and is the most prolific, producing 50,000 to 60,000 lbs. of roots to the acre. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Golden Tankard Mangel, a new sort of golden yellow color, and exceedingly sweet. Shape oval, large and smooth. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Carrot.

Our Carrot stock is particularly fine. We challenge any one to produce anything so good as our Danvers private stock. It is the most profitable sort to grow.



DANVERS CARROT

Danvers, (Private Stock.) True Danvers grown Seed. This strain of seed is very scarce and very high. It is claimed by the growers to be the finest strain extant, and well worth the extra price charged for it, and with the case of most any seed where it requires three pounds to sow an acre, the difference of \$3.00 in the price of seed is often repaid by a yield of \$25 worth more roots. We have taken great pains to secure this strain of extra quality. This strain often yields 25 to 30 tons per acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

Improved Long Orange, Our strain of this old standard is greatly improved, it is the principal sort for stock feeding. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.

Oxheart, a small, short and very early Carrot, particularly valuable for table use. For forcing or for an early crop in the garden it is the sort to use above all others. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00



OXHEART CARROT.



CELERY, GIANT PASCAL.

Celery.

To raise this delicious vegetable to best advantage, seed should be sown in hot-bed or cold frames. When plants are three or four inches high, transplant to deep, rich soil, six inches apart. If the rows are in trenches it will be all the better in earthing up. This should be done during summer and autumn, banking the earth up to the leaves. Never hoe or earth up when the plants are wet. The sorts we here offer are all that can be desired. They are the *cream of all sorts*. One is white, one a red, another yellow, and the fourth the beautiful fern-leaved variety. One can imagine the great beauty of these four colors when placed in a dish together on the table. The cut gives a good idea of this combination.

Giant Pascal (New). Very handsome and excellent keeper. It partakes of the rich, nutty flavor peculiar to the Golden Self-Blanching, and is absolutely free from any bitter taste. The stalks are remarkably large, thick, solid and entirely stringless. It is the largest Celery grown as regards width and thickness of stalks. When fully grown, the outer stalks average two inches wide and are nearly as thick as a man's finger. The immense stalks can be sliced lengthwise, and are always very crisp and brittle, snapping like glass. Unlike most other Celeries, it never becomes watery, and can be eaten when quite small. It is a very vigorous grower; the heart is a rich bright yellow, without blanching. It blanches very easily, requiring only five or six days' earthing up, when the outer stalks present a beautiful clear-white appearance. It is the best keeper of all Celeries, and is without doubt the *celery* for January and February use. It is excellent for shipping, does not rust or rot, and remains crisp and brittle. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; lb., \$5.00.

White Plume, compact and solid bunches, very fine grained, brittle, sweet, and of the very finest quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Golden Self-Blanching, a splendid sort, perfectly solid, crisp, brittle and delicious, in flavor surpassed by no other variety, while it has the decided merit of being self-bleaching to a remarkable degree. The heart is a beautiful rich golden yellow color. No variety can surpass it. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 50c.

New Rose, a lovely rose-colored Celery of high flavor, very solid, and excellent in every respect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

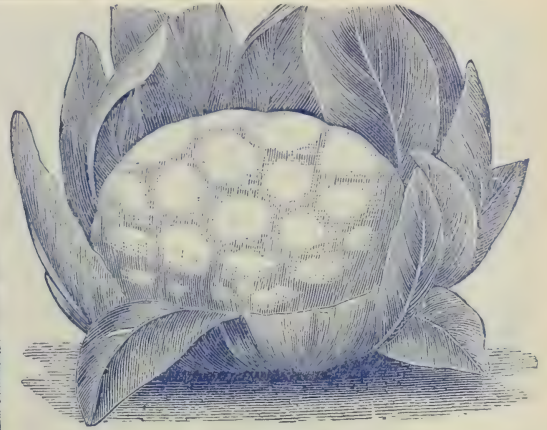
Fern-Leaved, a very fine eating Celery, the leaves of which are finely cut and fern-like, making it exceedingly ornamental, either in the garden or on the table. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Clant Turnip-Rooted, or Celериac, grown exclusively for its roots, which are turnip-shaped, very smooth, tender and marrow-like. Roots are cooked and sliced. Used with vinegar they make an excellent salad. They are also used for seasoning meats and to flavor soups. Pkt., 5c., oz., 25c.



CELERY, TURNIP ROOTED.

One packet each of the six fine Celeries, 40 cents.



CAULIFLOWER, SNOW BALL.

Cauliflower.

This is one of the choicest and most delicious of all vegetables. Culture same as Cabbage, but the richer the soil and the better its cultivation, the better will be the results.

Early Paris, a fine early sort of fair sized head and excellent quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., \$1.00.

Large White French, a standard sort, producing large, compact heads of the finest quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 75c.

Snow Ball, the earliest of all Cauliflowers, and the surest to head. Of dwarf habit and short outer leaves, allowing it to be planted quite close. It is of good size, of snow white color and unsurpassed in flavor. Valuable for late as well as early planting. Pkt., 15c.; oz., \$2.50.



AULIFLOWER EARLIEST DWARF ERFURT.

Earliest Dwarf Erfurt, extra fine and early, either for outside or forcing under glass. This is the finest strain of Cauliflower to be had. Pkt., 25c.; 1/8 oz., \$1.00; 1/4 oz., \$3.00.

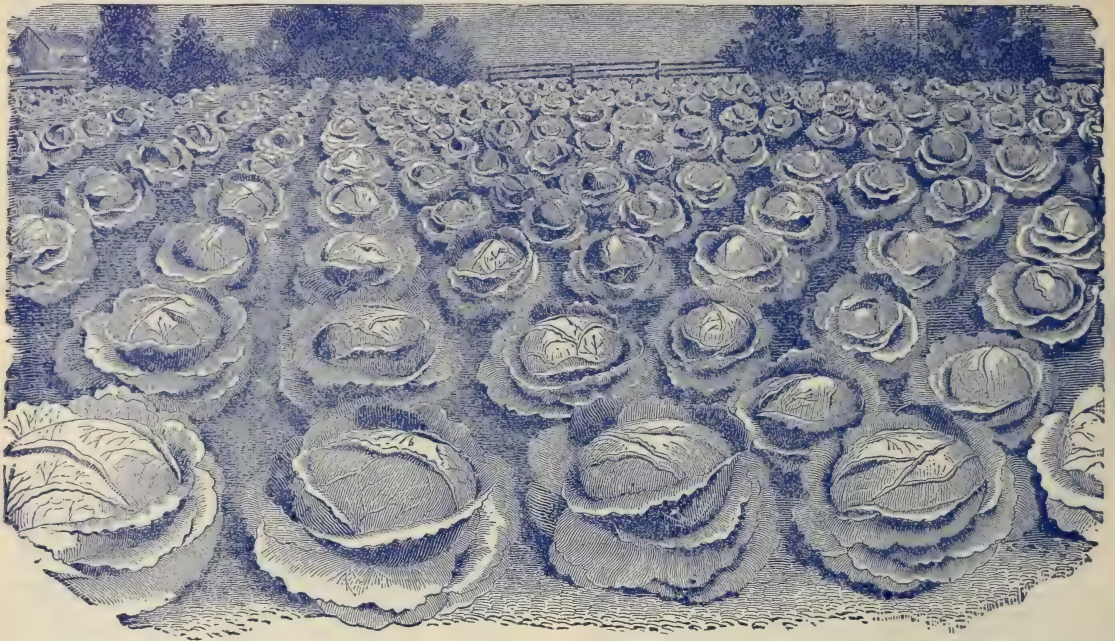


DOUBLE CURLED CRESS

Cress or Pepper Grass.

Extra Curled, this makes a very fine salad by itself and adds a fine flavor to other salad. Sow at frequent intervals during summer, to have a continuous supply in the best state. This is the finest sort to be had. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 65c.

Water, Water Cress is extra fine for all salads. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.



CABBAGE, NEW LONG ISLAND.

Childs' Superior Cabbage Seed.

No crop depends so much upon the quality of the seed as the Cabbage. Poor seed cannot be made to produce satisfactory results under any conditions. Here on Long Island we believe the finest Cabbages of the country are grown, and as we are surrounded by thousands of acres of it we believe we have unsurpassed facilities for knowing and getting the best strains. Our cabbage seed may be a little higher in price than others, but it can be depended upon every time. There is none better.

size, uniform and a sure header, it does not burn or blister, but retains its lustrous fresh green color, even after being shipped to distant markets, hence its great selling qualities. By those who have grown it, it is said to be the most valuable Cabbage in cultivation, and from our experience we can say that it really is the finest and most profitable sort to grow either north or south. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.00.



EARLY WAKEFIELD.

Early Long Island Wakefield, (true); this is the most popular early Cabbage in cultivation, and when pure and genuine there is nothing better. Our strain of this popular Cabbage is the very best that can be had. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$3.00.

Long Island, a new early Cabbage of great value and one which can be grown for early, medium or late crops either at the north or south. It is very early, of large



VANDEGAW.

Vandegaw, private stock. A second early, midsummer, fall or winter Cabbage, according to time of sowing seed and transplanting plants. Heading fit for table use in 41 DAYS from time of transplanting. According to report of N. Y. Agricultural Experiment Station for 1888, this quick heading Cabbage is the very best size for market. Heads evenly and surely. In most cases produces a perfect marketable head for every head set out. Stems short. Heads of most perfect shape, retaining its fresh color a long time. Quality remarkably excellent, tender, crisp and delicious. We believe it to be the best Cabbage grown, and we are headquarters for the original stock. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$3.50.

Newark Early Flat Dutch, a most excellent early, large, flat-headed variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$3.00.

Excelsior Large Flat Dutch, a grand medium and late sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$3.00.

SUREHEAD.



PERFECTION SAVOY.

True Surehead, produces large, round, flattened heads of the flat Dutch type, and is remarkable for its certainty to head. It is all head, and always sure to head, even where other varieties fail. The heads are remarkably uniform, very hard, firm and fine in texture, and ordinarily weigh from ten to fifteen pounds each. It is very sweet flavored, has scarcely any loose leaves, keeps well, is good for shipping, and is just the variety and quality to suit market gardeners, farmers, and all lovers of good Cabbage. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$3.50.

Perfection Drumhead Savoy, the Savoy Cabbage is not cultivated to the extent that it should be. We consider the quality of a good Savoy Cabbage greatly superior to any other, they being exceedingly crisp and fine-flavored. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$3.00.

Marvin's Savoy, the best Savoy Cabbage in the market today. As certain a header as the best white. Large, deep green, very curly; nearly every head is absolutely alike. Early fall and winter; keeps well and retains its color. A field of this Cabbage is a wonderful sight, so perfect is each head. It is the best selling market variety, and equally as good for private use. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; lb., \$5.00.

Allseason. A remarkably good new cabbage, as it is good either for an early, medium or late crop. Heads very solid, of best quality and remarkably sure to head, and a long keeper.

For general planting this is one of the very best Cabbages. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.00.



CABBAGE, SUCCESSION.

Succession, is about one week later than the Early Summer, but is double the size and is so finely bred that in a field of ten acres every head was a magnificent, perfect specimen fit for exhibition purposes. Despite the low prices realized by the cabbage crop last season, the Succession brought paying prices wherever grown and may well be regarded as a boon to the agricultural community. Owing to the scarcity of the seed, it has heretofore been very expensive. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$3.50.

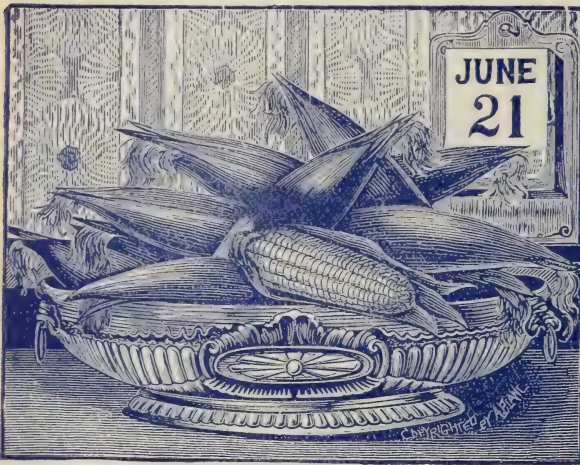
Winningsstadt, a most excellent and popular variety with very solid large-pointed heads. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$2.00.

Red Dutch, a large red Cabbage, particularly valuable for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$2.00.



Brussels Sprouts.

Hallock's Defiance. This is the highest-bred, largest, most tender and best strain of Brussels Sprout ever raised. The stems grow tall, and the sprouts cover them from bottom to top. They are very large, perfect in form and very tender and sweet. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.



CORY SWEET CORN.

Sweet Corn.

This is one of the finest and most important garden vegetables. The varieties we offer can be relied upon as being the very best. Do not fail to plant the Cory, it is by far the earliest and one of the very best in flavor.

Cory Extra Early. This is certainly the most valuable Corn ever set out. It is one or two weeks earlier than any other sort, the ears being large and fine, and not small and inferior like other early sorts. The quality is also the best, being very sweet, tender and delicious. Its productiveness is truly marvelous, as nearly every stalk produces three full-sized, perfect ears. It is a remarkable variety, and eclipses all other early sorts. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.



IMPROVED RUBY.

The Ruby Corn was first offered two or three years ago, but the strain was so unreliable, so little of it coming true, that it was never generally introduced. After several years of careful cultivation, we are pleased to be able to offer the **Improved Ruby**, a strain which has been worked up to a high state of perfection, and is the finest Sweet Corn in cultivation, as well as a most beautiful and curious one. The stalks and husks instead of being green, are a dark

Claret red color, odd and beautiful. The ears are of great size, compactly set with kernels, which are of the clearest pearly white color, contrasting with the dark red husks most beautifully. It is very sweet and tender, and of the very finest quality; in fact, it is the finest eating Corn we have ever seen. Its great beauty and delicious quality will be a surprise to all. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.

Amber Cream, medium early, strong, vigorous grower, ears 10 to 14 inches long, with deep kernels, very rich, sugary and tender. A grand sort. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.

Evergreen, best late sort, and one that should occupy a place in every garden. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 20c.; qt., 35c.

Mammoth, a very large late sort, of superb quality, and considered by many the finest of all Sweet Corns. It is, in fact, a superb sort. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.

Golden Hybrid. This cross between the Sweet and Maine field varieties of Corn retains the general appearance of the former and the color of the latter, and combines the sweetness of the one with the richness of the other, producing a combination of flavor which lead many who have tried it to regard it as the finest table variety. Its beauty as well as its flavor recommends it to notice, the finest effect being produced by a dish made up of alternate ears of the Golden Hybrid, Ruby and Red Evergreen. Its season is very early, and it is a corn which all will like. Pkt., 10c.

Burbanks Early Maine, fully as early as the Cory. Has a pure white cob with a rich cream white kernel, sweet and juicy. Looks nice on the table. Ears grow to a good size, uniform in shape. On good ground a large part of the stalks have two ears. This corn is the result of a careful selection of the best ear of corn that could be picked that had not the objectionable points mentioned, and having carried this out for the last six years, has made a distinct variety. It is a very high grade Corn which is sure to give the greatest satisfaction. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 60c.

Shoe Peg Ne Plus Ultra or Quaker Sweet Corn. Medium early. An old but excellent variety that is grown by those who know a good thing. It is very sweet and luscious, and especially adapted to family use. It bears 3 to 4 ears on a stalk, and for drying or canning purposes it is the best. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.



RED EVERGREEN.

Red Evergreen. This is a sport from the common Evergreen, and a Sweet Corn of unexcelled beauty and good quality. The ears are large, having twelve or fourteen rows of long, perfect kernels, which are of a dark ruby red color and beautiful as jewels. Any person who likes odd and fancy things will be delighted with this superb Corn. On account of its beautiful color it is

a magnificent sort to grow and serve with the white and yellow sorts. It is sure to become a great favorite. Pkt., 15c.; pt., 40c.

Childs' Honey Dew, the finest of all early sorts. See Novelties. Pkt., 15c.

California, a late sort of great size and finest quality. See Novelties. Pkt., 15c.

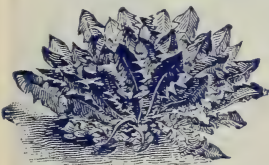
SPECIAL OFFER—For only 80c. we will send one packet each of these 11 sorts, which are the finest of all Sweet Corns, and will make a magnificent collection for any home garden.



EGG PLANT.

Egg Plant.

Hallock's New York Improved Egg Plant (Private Stock). This is the finest strain of Egg Plant that goes to the New York Market. The earliest, largest and most prolific for family use, and superior to all others as a profitable market crop. The plants are vigorous, quick growers, resisting the ravages of the bugs better than any other. The fruit sets early and develops rapidly to a very large size and beautiful shape, of a glistening deep purple color. Prodigious bearer, commencing early, continuing till frost. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 75c.



Dandelion.

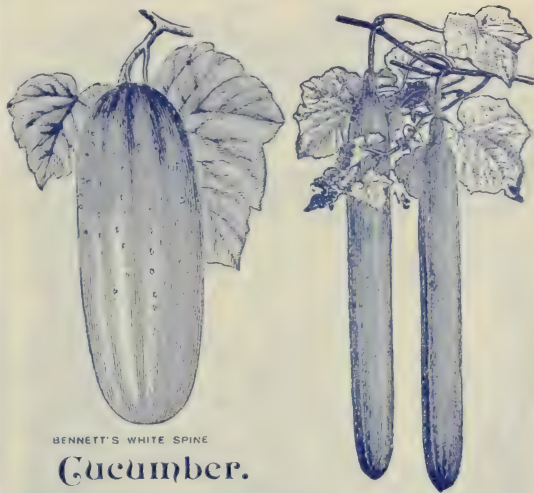
Improved Large Leaved, very early and wholesome greens. Sow in May and it will be fit to cut in July. This new Dandelion is a most valuable vegetable. Do not omit it from your order. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.



GROUND CHERRY.

Ground Cherry.

A new vegetable, something like a Husk Tomato. The introducer speaks thus of it: "They will grow on almost any dry soil, are easier raised than the Tomato, and are prolific bearers, and oh! such luscious fruit. For sauce they are excellent, and for pies I know of nothing that can equal them in flavor and taste. They are just splendid dried in sugar, and they will keep, if put in a cool, dry place in the shuck, nearly all winter. **Improved**, pkt., 10c., oz., 60c. **Large Purple**, fine variety. Pkt., 10c.



BENNETT'S WHITE SPINE

GIANT PERA.

Cucumber.

Giant Pera, the Giant Pera will satisfy any one's desire for a new variety of superior merit. It is a Turkish variety and first sold in this country in 1885. The fruit is borne in great abundance; in shape 15 or 20 inches long, and very smooth. Fresh clear white, crisp and tender, brittle and delicious, with very few seeds, and free from all obnoxious "green" taste. The vine is a strong, rank grower and produces fine cucumbers all the season. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Bennett's White Spine (private stock). The best cucumbers coming to the New York market are grown at Bay Ridge, Long Island, where we procure our seed stock from a celebrated grower. This strain grows from 7 to 10 inches long, proportionately thick throughout, being as full at both ends as in the center. It is a week earlier than the variety known as "Improved White Spine," but retains its glossy, dark green color much longer on the vine. Has proved itself to be the best and most reliable strain of White Spine in the market. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.25.

Early Green Cluster, fine for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz. 10c.; lb., 80c.

Improved Early Russian, the earliest in cultivation, hardy and prolific, and of unsurpassed quality. They are small and have but few seeds. Pkt., 5c.; oz. 25c.

Long China, this splendid sort grows 18 to 22 inches in length, is very solid, with but few seeds, and of excellent quality. Very early and prolific. Pkt. 10c.; oz. 25c.

Thornborns Everbearing, we would call especial attention to this entirely new and unique variety. It is of small



EARLY RUSSIAN.



EVERBEARING CUCUMBER.

size, very early, enormously productive and valuable as a green pickler. The peculiar merit of this novelty is that the vines continue to flower and produce fruit until killed by frost, whether the ripe cucumbers are picked off or not, in which respect it differs from all other sorts in cultivation. Green cucumbers can be picked from vines from July to Oct. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

Cherkin, very small, oval-shaped, prickly fruits. Used exclusively for pickling. This is quite distinct and can be easily distinguished by the extreme small size of the seeds, from the English Burr Cucumber, often sold as the same. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

Green Prolific Pickling, one of the best for pickling. Dark green, very productive and of uniform small size. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

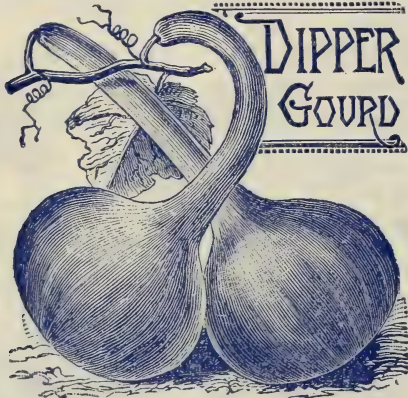
Emerald, a new and striking variety. Moderately early. A beautiful shape and perfect in appearance. Is smooth and of a deep sea-green color. Tender, crisp and greatly admired. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

One packet each of above 5 fine Cucumbers, 50 cents.



Useful Gourds.

Improved Nest Egg (Childs), this strain of Nest Egg Gourd we believe to be as nearly pure as it is possible to get any Gourd. It is certainly the only stock of it we ever saw that was not so badly mixed as to be almost worthless. As this Gourd closely resembles, in color, shape and size, the eggs of hens, and do not crack, and are uninjured by cold or wet, they make the very best nest eggs. As the plant is a rapid growing climber, it is very useful for covering screens, etc., being quite ornamental with the numerous white eggs hanging in all stages. Pkt., 10c.



The Dipper Gourd, this variety is also useful for many household purposes. Although an old variety, it is seldom grown. They are easily prepared for use as dippers, will last for years, and are particularly valuable for dipping hot liquids—the handles do not readily become hot. Dippers of various sizes, of a capacity of from a pint to a quart and a half, can be had from a few vines. Pkt., 10c.

Dishcloth, a natural dishcloth, and a most desirable one is furnished by the peculiar lining of this fruit, which is sponge-like, porous, very tough, elastic and durable. Many ladies prefer this dishcloth to any prepared by art. The fruit grows about two feet in length, and the vine is very ornamental, producing clusters of yellow blossoms, in pleasing contrast with the silvery shaded, dark green foliage. This variety requires to be started early. Pkt. 10c.

Sugar Trough, these Gourds are useful for many household purposes, such as buckets, baskets, nest-boxes, soap and salt dishes, and for storing the winter's lard. They grow to hold from four to ten gallons each, have thick, hard shells, very light but durable, having been kept in use as long as ten years. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Hercules Club, enormous club shaped Gourd, useful in many ways. Pkt., 5c.

One packet each of the four sorts, 35 cents.

Kohl-Rabi.

Extra Early Vienna, this is a most delicious vegetable, having a turnip-like bulb formed above ground. It has a most elegant Cauliflower-like flavor, and should be cooked in about the same manner. Use them when about the size of Globe Turnips, and before they get old and stringy. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 40c.

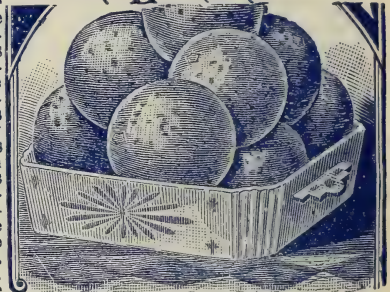


Leek.

New Giant Italian, introduced in 1884, this new variety has given great satisfaction everywhere. It is very hardy, easily grown, and of monstrous size; it is of very mild and agreeable flavor. The Leek is considered more delicate than the Onion for flavoring soups, stews, salads, etc. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.00.

Garden Lemon.

Fruit is of shape shown in our engraving, and is somewhat smaller than Vine Peach, has thinner flesh, and is most decidedly more acid, thus dispensing with the sliced lemons which are so important in putting up the Vine Peach. Cultivate like Musk-Melon. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.



Vine Peach, the fruit is about the size of a large peach, and of a bright orange-yellow color; flesh firm with a small cavity. For sweet pickles, pies or preserving they are superb. Pkt., 5c.

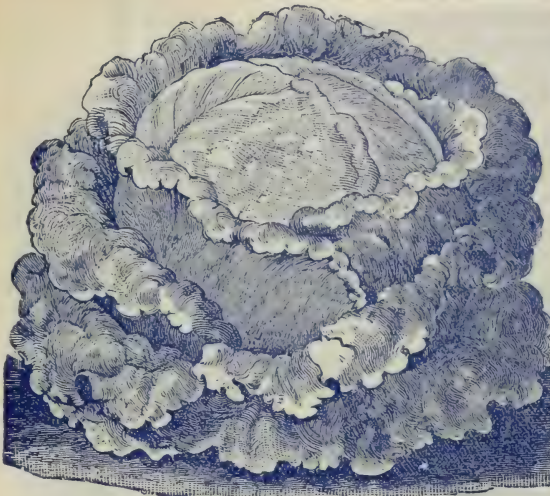
Endive, Green Curled.

This is one of the most refreshing and attractive of all autumn and winter salads. It is commonly known in restaurants as *Chicoree*, and is particularly appetizing when served mixed with lettuce, with plain French dressing. Sow seed from middle of June to last of August. When the plants are full grown, tie all the outside leaves together over the heart, to blanch the inner leaves, which will take about a week. Never tie up when the leaves are wet, or they will soon decay. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.



Kale.

Dwarf German Kale. German Greens or Sprouts. (Dwarf Curled Scotch Kale.) This is more hardy than Cabbage, and makes excellent greens for winter and spring use. The leaves are curly, bright green, very tender and delicate in flavor. Sow seed in May or June; transplant in July, and cultivate same as Cabbage. For early spring use, sow in September; protect over winter with a covering of straw or litter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.



LETTUCE, CREAM BUTTER.

Lettuce.

The following varieties will be found to be superb, yet none of them can approach the fine quality found in our New Half Century offered among Novelties.

Cream Butter, a new Cabbage Lettuce of great value, forming a large, solid head, the inside of which is a beautiful creamy color, and rich and buttery to the taste. It is medium early and probably the very best of all summer head Lettuces. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.25.



LETTUCE, TOMHANNOCK.

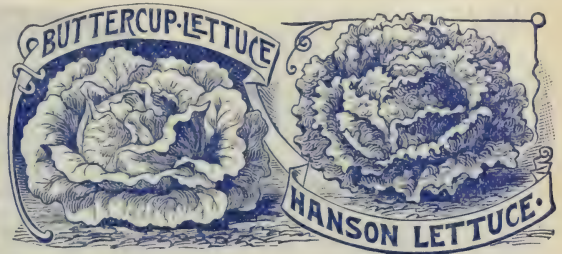
Tomhannock, a very crisp and delicious Lettuce but particularly remarkable on account of holding its fine flavor from the first of June until the last of September; at all times free from bitter taste or toughness. It makes a beautiful plant 12 inches high and 9 to 18 inches across. The outside leaves are beautiful reddish bronze, inside almost white. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.00.

Golden Heart, a grand new sort, producing heads of very large size, which within are a beautiful rich golden yellow. It grows quickly and is ready for use in a short time. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.50.

New Hard Head, it is the quickest to form heads, stands the longest before seeding, is unsurpassed in quality, being very tender, crisp and brittle, sweet and free from bitterness. A grand sort. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Curled Simpson, a fine standard early sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

New Hanson, an excellent head variety of great size and fine quality. With many people this excellent variety is the leading favorite. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.00.



Buttercup, a most beautiful and valuable sort. The leaves are a deep yellow, making the plants as they stand in a bed as ornamental as Coleus. They produce large heads of very fine quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Childs' Half Century, see Novelties. Pkt., 15c.

White Paris Cos, (for forcing and early sowing and open-air all summer.) To be had in perfection, it requires to be tied up to insure its blanching. Millions of this variety are annually grown to supply the markets of London alone. Well-grown heads of it often weigh six to seven pounds. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.00.

Tennisball, this seed is raised under glass near Boston, from the finest and best heading strain. For forcing under glass it has no superior. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$5.

Boston Fine Curled, highly esteemed for carliness, beauty of form, and good table qualities. Rich green color and beautifully curled. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

One packet each of these 11 fine sorts 75 cents.



Mustard.

White London, highly esteemed for salads and greens. Leaves large, broad and tender. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Chinese, large plant, attaining a height of from 4 to 5 feet when in flower. The leaves are large, often 14 to 16 inches long. In about six weeks from time of sowing, the leaves may be gathered, and the plants will continue to yield until very frosty weather. The leaves are eaten boiled, like spinach. Very agreeable flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.

Martynia.

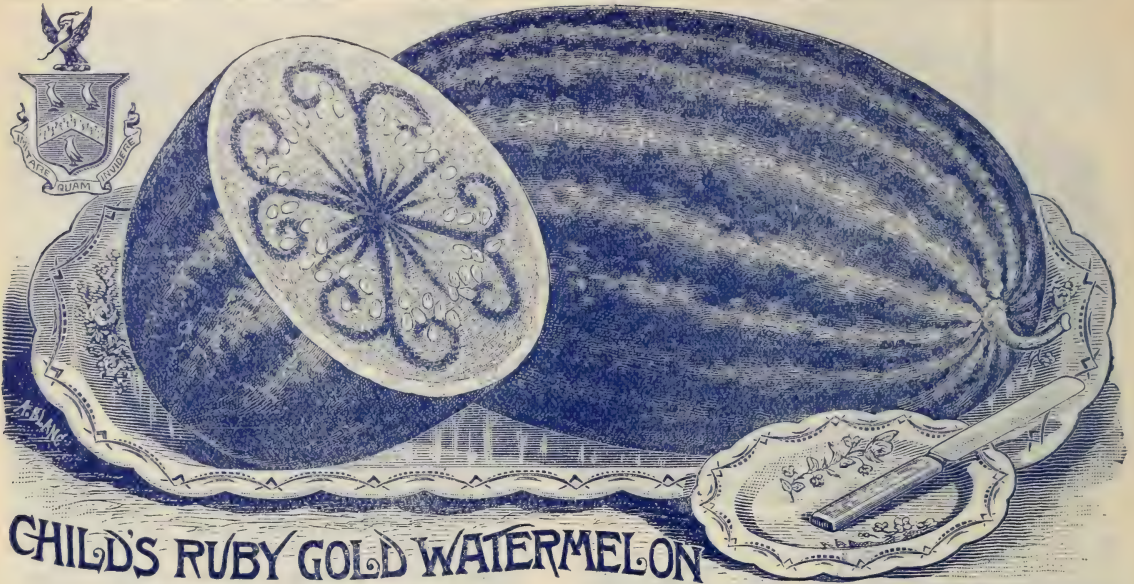
Strong-growing annual plant, bearing very beautiful Gloxinia-like flowers and curiously-shaped seed pods, which, when young and tender, make excellent pickles. Sow in the open ground in May, and thin out the plants to 2 or 3 feet apart, or a few seeds may be sown in a hot-bed, and afterwards transplanted. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 40c.

Mushroom Spawn.

Best English. We believe this the best variety you can buy, at least all our Long Island raisers think so. 25c. a pound by mail, by express 15c. a pound; 100 lbs. \$10.00.

Okra, White Velvet.

A new sort, and the most desirable of all Okras. The pods are large, round and smooth, ivory white, with a velvety texture, and not prickly like other sorts. The pods are used in a green state for making and flavoring soups. These soups are the famous "Gumbo" variety of fashionable hotels. In a growing state the plant is very ornamental, with its large ivory pods and enormous hibiscus-like yellow blossoms. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$1.50.



CHILD'S RUBY GOLD WATERMELON

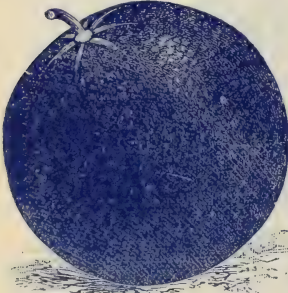
Melon, Water.

We make a specialty of supplying Melon seed of superb quality. We offer but few sorts, but they are the best. For large size, combined with unsurpassed quality and beauty, Childs' Ruby Gold stands at the head of all Melons.

Phinney, Early Oval, very sweet and tender. Early and prolific. One of the very best Melons grown. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.

Mountain Sweet, large and long, fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Childs' Ruby Gold, in shape it is long, often two feet or more, and frequently weighs as high as sixty pounds, though its average weight is about forty pounds each. Its flesh is *solid, pure golden yellow, variegated with streaks, and layers of bright pink or ruby red*, which often appear in a star-shaped form. This makes it at once the most beautiful, odd and novel Melon ever seen. It is also as much superior to other Melons in *quality* as it is in *beauty*. It has a sweetness and lusciousness which no other Melon possesses, being tender and melts in the mouth like ice-cream without a particle of core or stringy substance. It is very juicy and does not lose its flavor when it becomes over-ripe like most sorts. It is solid to the center, and ripens close to the rind which is very thin. It is a hardy, robust grower, medium early and sure to give a good crop. Mr. W. A. Smith, the originator, who has grown it for several years, says: "It is so greatly superior to other Melons that my children will eat no other, and its great beauty when sliced for the table can be better imagined than described; such a lovely blending of pure gold and ruby, encircled by its emerald rind." It is one of the largest and most prolific Melons grown. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.



HUNGARIAN HONEY.



WHITE GEM.

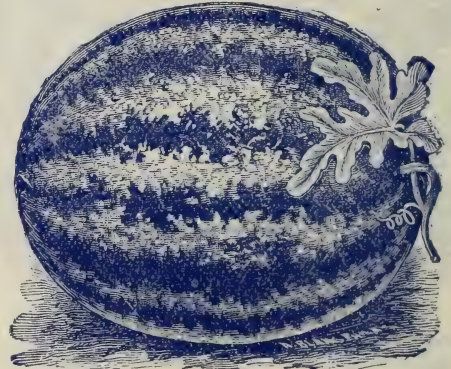
Hungarian Honey, this is, without question, one of the finest Melons for family gardens. They are nearly round in shape, dark in color, and weigh about 10 pounds. The flesh is brilliant red in color, and absolutely stringless, melting and surprisingly SWEET and LUSCIOUS, of a very rich, honey flavor, richer and sweeter to the taste than any other Melon, except Childs' Ruby Gold. The Melons ripen early, vine strong and healthy, hardy and productive. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.00.

White Gem, this beautiful Melon grows to the weight of 8 or 10 pounds, perfectly round, and of ivory white color, which suggests its name. The flesh is pink and very sweet and delicious. Pkt., 10c.

Seminole, extra early, enormously productive, extra large, and of the most delicious flavor. It is of two distinct colors—gray and light green. Melons of both colors are exactly the same in size, color, shape, color of seed, flavor, etc., and pronounced by competent judges as exactly the same melon in every respect. Entirely distinct. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Kolbs Gem, incomparably superior to any other melon raised in the South for shipping purposes. Large and prolific, and keeps well for 30 days or more after ripening. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb. 85c.

Mammoth Iron Clad, a new Melon of very large size, weighing, under ordinary cultivation from 50 to 75 pounds. Its flavor is sweet and delicious. The shell is so firm and solid that they keep a long time after they are ripe, always for a month, and they have been kept till Christmas in perfect condition. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.

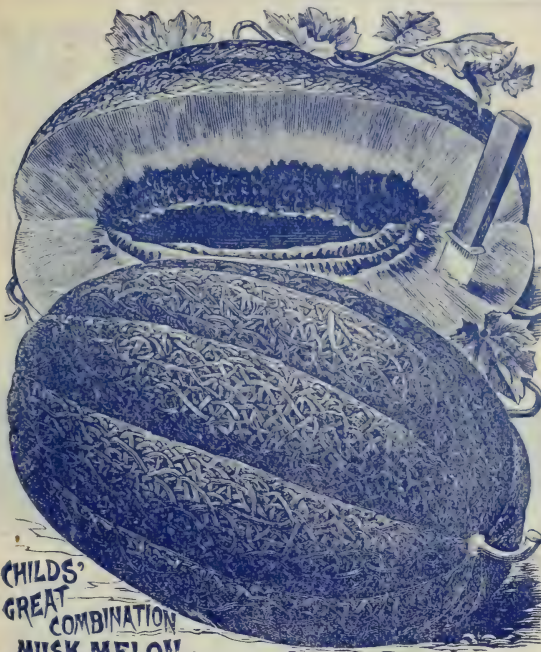


CHINESE PRESERVING MELON.

Cuban Queen, one of the largest and handsomest Melons ever introduced. Can be grown to weigh 80 pounds. Rind very thin, flesh red, crisp, sugary, and in delicious flavor is unsurpassed. No variety sells so well in market as this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c.

Chinese Preserving Melon, our Collector brought this from China several years ago, and it has been thoroughly tested in various parts of the country, and in every locality proves a great success. The melons are large, nearly round, very dark green and covered with fine hair. Inside they are perfectly solid and pure white. For preserves and sweet pickles it surpasses everything ever known. It is very tender and delicious, having a delicate and charming flavor which nothing else possesses. Pkt., 10c.

One packet each of these 10 finest Melons, 50 cents.



Melon, Musk.

One of the most delicious of all garden vegetables, and one which is so much better when picked fresh from the vines than when bought in the markets. Every garden should have a good supply of them.

Childs' Great Combination. Great Combination is an appropriate name for a Melon which combines the largest size, superb quality, fragrance, late ripening and long keeping qualities. In size it will average twice as large as any other Musk Melon we know, twenty or thirty pounds being its usual weight. It is very thick meated, rich apricot yellow in color and highly fragrant. In quality it is very rich and delicious, being equalled only by Emerald Gem. It is the last of all the Musk Melons to ripen and comes after all others have gone, which makes it a most important variety. Its keeping qualities are simply marvelous, for when carefully picked in September and stored in a cool place it is not unusual for it to keep a month in perfect condition. It has a splendid uniform shape, and its tremendous size makes it a giant among Melons. A most valuable novelty which will be greatly appreciated. Per pkt., 10c.

Montreal Green Nutmeg, green fleshed. This melon grows very large, very many of them weighing 15 to 20 pounds. A sure, heavy bearer, producing as many large melons as any variety does small ones. Vines vigorous, always healthy. Quality as sweet and delicious as the smallest nutmeg melon. This melon is the best of all for Canada, being the leading sort in the Montreal market. Also the favorite with Boston growers, dealers and consumers. Very reliable, and does not, like most melons, lose flavor during wet and cold spells of weather. Reliable melon in any locality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.

Princess, quite distinct from other varieties, and possesses so many strong points of superiority that it must speedily become a most popular variety for family and market use. Nearly round, heavily netted, dark-green skin, flesh of rich salmon color, thicker than in any other melon, and is sweet and luscious beyond description. They ripen early and grow to a good size, frequently eight to 10 pounds each. Vigorous grower. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.00.



MUSK MELON; PRINCESS.

Bay View, a very large and prolific sort, of exceedingly fine flavor. Its yield is enormous—3,000 to 4,000 melons to the acre, and its fine appearance and delicious flavor makes it a splendid market sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.



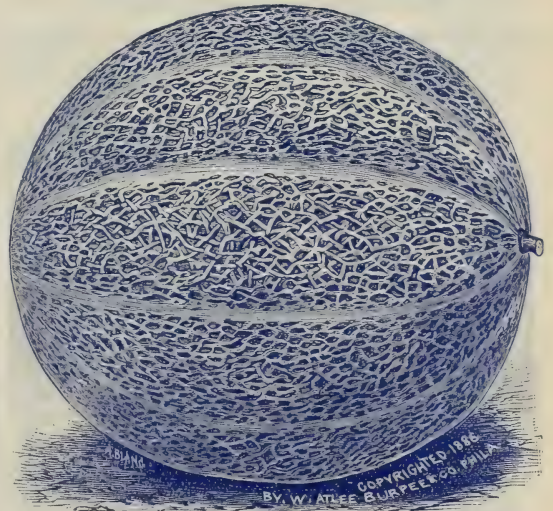
MUSK MELON, EMERALD GEM.

Emerald Gem, few new vegetables have proved as worthy as this. It is indeed the finest of all Melons. Its color is dark green, with most beautiful salmon colored flesh. Medium size, round and very prolific. Its flavor is delicious and sweet beyond description. It is so rich and juicy that it nearly drops to pieces, and is best eaten with a spoon. We can say nothing which will convey a true idea of its delicious quality. It must be eaten to be appreciated. Do not fail to plant this grand Melon. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.25.

Banana, this curious sort is greatly liked. The Melons attain a length of three feet, and are two to four inches thick. The flavor is very good and is surely an attractive and curious variety. With the exception of the Emerald Gem we think it the best of all Melons. It is exceedingly fragrant when ripe, and will perfume a whole house. Its flesh and flavor remind one of a fine banana. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.



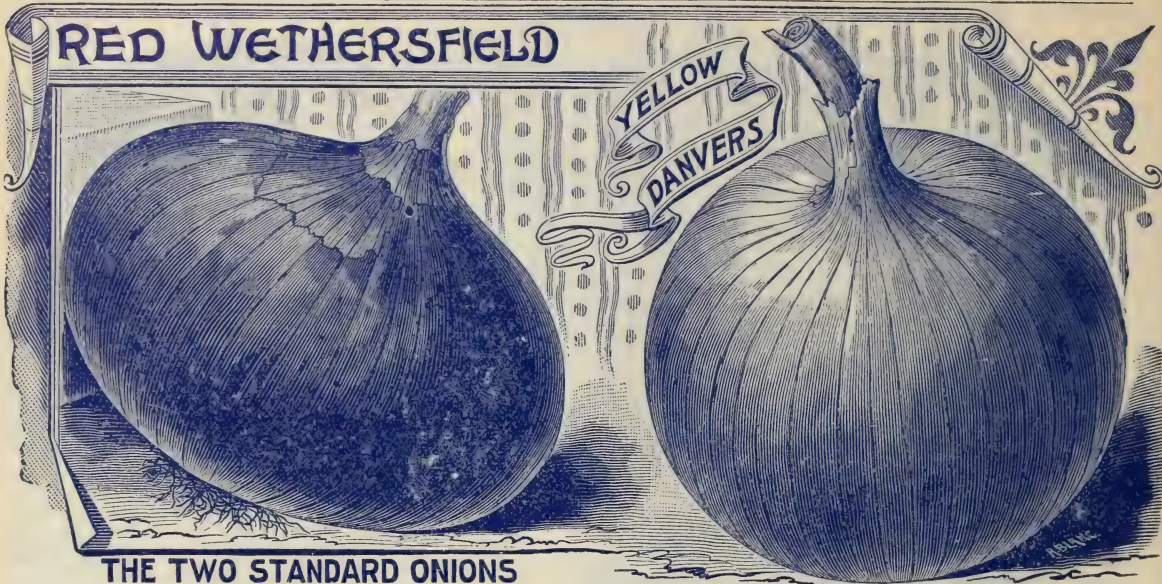
MUSK MELON, BANANA.



MUSK MELON, CHAMPION MARKET.

Champion Market, a new and very handsome melon of rich, sweet flavor, uniform large size, and great productiveness. As a market crop it is the best and most profitable sort we have ever known. It is of good size, uniform and handsome and of the very finest quality. A hardy, robust grower and very prolific. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.25.

One packet each of these finest seven Melons, 50 cents.



THE TWO STANDARD ONIONS

Onion, (All Northern grown Seed.)

To raise good Onions, good seed is the most essential point. Without good seed a satisfactory crop cannot be produced, no matter how good the soil or cultivation. The seed we offer can be relied upon every time. It is fresh, plump, pure and genuine, having all been grown from select bulbs and pedigree stock. Sow our seed and expect a fine crop.

Large Red Wethersfield, this is the favorite Onion in the east, where immense crops are grown for shipment. Large size; skin deep purplish-red; form round, somewhat flattened; the flesh is purplish-white, moderately fine-grained, and stronger-flavored than any of the other kinds. Very productive, the best keeper, and one of the most popular for general cultivation. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.40.

Yellow Globe Danvers, we take great pride in keeping and improving the strain of this popular Onion. We aim to have our seed second to none, both in germinating quality and in perfection of bulb. Our strain produces very handsome bulbs, deep and uniformly large and perfect. Our seed is all new, plump and selected. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c., lb., \$1.40.

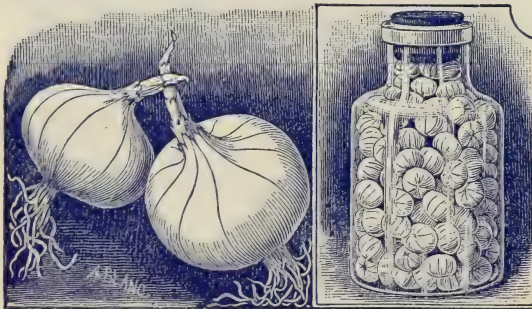
Extra Early Red, this variety grows quickly; yields abundantly. Most reliable sort for north and west in cold mucky soils. It will produce a large crop where others fail. The flavor is pleasant and color deep red. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$1.50.

Southport White Globe, large white globular-formed Onion, of mild flavor, and good keeping properties. It is raised largely for the New York market by Connecticut growers and others. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.50.

Mammoth Silver King, this enormous Onion often grows to the weight of three or four pounds, while its flavor is most exquisite, rich, tender and delicious. It is so mild, sweet and tender that it can be eaten raw like an apple. No other variety grows to such a large size. The average diameter is five to seven inches, making a circumference of 15 to 20 inches, or more. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$2.50.

Prize Taker, a yellow globe Onion of enormous size and great beauty, fine flavor and productiveness. A most important new sort. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$3.50.

Clant White Tripoli, an Italian sort of an enormous size and mild, sweet flavor. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.



ONION, BARLETTIA EARLY RADISH.

Early Radish or Barlettia, this is a small, white, flat Onion, no larger than a turnip radish and so early that it matures the last of July from May sown seed. It is so mild and delicious in flavor that it is eaten raw with salt like a radish, and is a most wholesome and appetizing relish. When cooked it is also superb and leaves no odor whatever to the breath, and but very little when eaten raw. No Onion can approach it in fine and delicate flavor, either raw or cooked. It has not a particle of toughness or coarseness. Raw, it is very crisp, tender and sweet, even surpassing in this respect the finest of radishes. The bulbs being so small, seed can be sown quite thick in drills, and they will produce a solid mat of bulbs, covering the ground in the row completely. Three weeks earlier than any other. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.50.



EGYPTIAN TREE ONION.

Egyptian or Perennial Tree Onion, every garden should have a small bed of them. Perfectly hardy in all the Northern States. In this we have an entirely new variety of Onion. It differs from those raised from seeds or sets, from the top onion, potato onion, or shallot, in the fact that when once set out, without the slightest protection, it will come up year after year as soon as the frosts break ground, and grow so rapidly that it is ready for market or home use two or three weeks before any of them. It is unsurpassed for sweetness and tenderness. Pint, 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid; peck, by express, \$2.00.

White Multiplier Onion Sets, this is the best form of a Potato Onion, being very early and enormously prolific, of good size, clear white color, and mild, sweet flavor. It is eagerly sought after and should be in every garden. Per pint., 25c.; qt., 40c., postpaid; pk., by express, \$2.50.



PEA, CHILDS' UNIVERSAL.

Peas.

The few sorts we offer are the very best of all Peas for early, medium and late crops.

Childs' Universal. In Childs' Universal we have a new sort destined to become the universal garden favorite the world over. It was originated over ten years ago, since when it has been carefully selected and grown, until we now have what we believe is the most perfect Pea in cultivation. It combines a dwarf habit with fine quality and enormous productiveness, the three essential features all in one sort. It can be stiled a half-dwarf, not tall enough to require staking, yet branching freely and producing vine enough to give one of the largest crops any Pea can yield. The Peas are of medium size, wrinkled and of exceedingly high flavor. It is medium early, and fine for a succession if sown at intervals of two weeks. For a standard garden sort it must take the lead, being superior to Champion of England inasmuch that it does not require staking. Per pkt., 15c.; pint, 50c.; quart, 90c.

Stratagem, extra fine quality. Not only one of the most elegant and showy peas in cultivation, but the most desirable acquisition of its class. Seed green, square, wrinkled; height 2 feet; vigorous, branching habit, remarkably luxuriant foliage, leaves unusually large sized; under favorable conditions an enormous cropper; pods long, well-filled with from seven to nine peas of the largest size. Sow very thin in drills, say four inches apart. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 55c.

Everbearing, a new Pea of great value, owing to its lateness and long continued bearing. It is enormously prolific and of the very best flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

Pride of the Market, seed green; week earlier than the Stratagem, but resembling it in habit of growth; the foliage and pods are, however, of a deeper green; the pods are 5 to 7 inches in length, and well filled with very large peas; height 1½ feet. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

McLean's Little Gem, dwarf, early and prolific. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.



American Wonder, the earliest dwarf-wrinkled Pea in cultivation. It is ready for the table in 30 or 40 days from the time of planting. Its flavor is exquisite, habit very dwarf. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

Alaska, this Pea is remarkable for its extreme earliness and fine quality. It is the quickest Pea on record, ripening ahead of all others. We had our first picking last year early in June, and that from sowings made after other sorts were growing through the ground. Its height is two feet, pods fine shaped, dark green, well filled, often 7 to 9 in a pod. Quality the very best. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

Long Island Mammoth. Seed green and wrinkled; height, 3½ feet. This Pea is a general and universal favorite with the Long Island market gardeners (where it was originally introduced), being an excellent cropper. Pods being large size and well filled with Peas of very good quality, and earlier than the Champion of England. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 20c.; qt., 40c.

Champion of England, late, exquisite flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c.



Parsnip.

Improved Guernsey. This is a greatly improved and wonderfully fine strain of the Guernsey Hollow Crown Parsnip. It is strictly a table variety, and has no resemblance to what is called the Guernsey Stock Parsnip, which is not good for table use. The roots do not grow as long as the Hollow Crown, but are of a greater diameter, and more easily gathered. It is a very heavy cropper; the roots are smooth, about 12 inches in length. The flesh is fine-grained and sweet all the way through and of excellent quality to the center. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., 75c. *

Improved Long smooth Hollow Crown, the old standard sort and entirely the best with the exception of the new Guernsey. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.



Pepper.

During the past few years great strides have been made in improving the Pepper. The climax seemed to be reached when Ruby King and Red Cluster were brought out, but now comes Childs' Celestial, one of the grandest and most distinct vegetable novelties in many years, and later still Childs' Kaleidoscope.

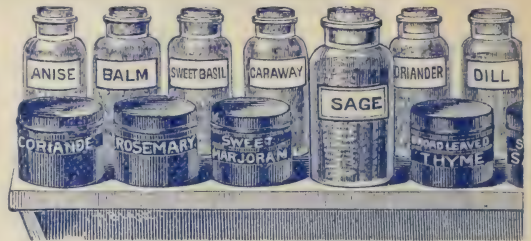
Childs' Celestial Improved, that it is the finest Pepper and one of the most beautiful plants in existence, cannot be denied. We have grown it several years in our Floral Park gardens, and it has attracted much attention. The plant begins to set its peppers early in the season and continues until frost, branching freely and bearing profusely. The Peppers, up to the time they are fully grown, are of a delicate creamy-yellow color, and when fully grown change to an intense vivid scarlet, making a plant, when loaded with fruit part of one color and part of the other, an object of the most striking beauty and oddity. The Peppers are two to three inches long, sharp flavor, and superior for any of the uses to which the Pepper can be put. Try a few in pots, and you will ever after grow it for ornament. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Large Bell, an old popular sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.
Ruby King, the giant Pepper, grows to an enormous size, is of the most brilliant ruby-red color, very mild and pleasant in flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 50c.

Red Cluster, a dwarf, bushy Pepper, bearing large clusters of scarlet fruit, which is exceedingly beautiful. Cultivated as pot plants, they are as showy as many of the choicest flowers. The Peppers are particularly adapted to pickling, and for all uses to which any Pepper can be put. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.



Black Nubian, a novel Pepper. Fruit six inches in length, tapering to a sharp point, and of a shining, wax-like black color until fully ripe, when it changes to a dark orange-red. It is highly desirable as an ornamental plant to grow in connection with our Kaleidoscope and Celestial. Its habit is splendid and its long black Peppers make it a most odd and attractive plant. The Peppers are fiery and when half grown, superior for pickling, etc. It is in every respect a great acquisition, and entirely unlike any other Pepper known. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.



Pot or Sweet Herbs.

All Herbs are more or less useful in their way, while many of them are quite indispensable to every family. The following are the best and most useful:

Anise	Pkt. 5	oz. 10
Balm	5	10
Coriander	5	10
Borage	5	10
Dill, highly flavored, and very largely used to impart a pleasant flavor to pickles	5	20
Hoarhound, valuable medicinal herb	5	15
Lavender, the flowers, when dried, impart to clothing a mild and very pleasant perfume, and produces the lavender water	5	40
Sage, fine broad-leaved	5	20
Sweet Feunel	5	15
Sweet Marjoram	5	15
Thyme	5	40
Savory, Summer	5	15
Rosemary, useful medicinal and aromatic herb; yields an aromatic oil and water; pleasant fragrance; also a moth preventive	10	50

One packet each of above 13 fine Herbs for 50 cents.

Pumpkin.

Large Cheese. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c., lb., 60c.
Quaker Pie Pumpkin, shape oval, and tapers toward each end; of a creamy color, both inside and out. The vines are very hardy and prolific, always yielding a certain crop. It is early and keeps late. Its chief value is for "Pumpkin Pies." Being fine-grained and rich-flavored, it makes a superior quality of pies. It has none of the coarse and stringy character so common to other varieties. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.
Genuine Mammoth, or True Portion, the form of the fruit is an oblate spheroid, depressed at the bottom and stem ends, and marked with ten or more meridional furrows. It grows to an enormous size, 3 feet or more in diameter, and 100 to 200 pounds or more in weight. It has a salmon-colored skin; flesh bright yellow, fine grained, and of good quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.50.

Parsley.

Extra Double Curled, the finely curled and curled moss-like leaves of this variety make it the most beautiful and popular sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.00.
Beauty of The Parterre, most beautiful for edging and equally good as a condiment. Really a most beautiful garden plant. Surpasses all for garnishing purposes. Give at least six inches space between plants. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.



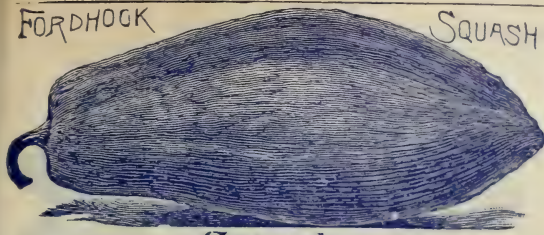
DOUBLE CURLED PARSLEY



SALSIFY.

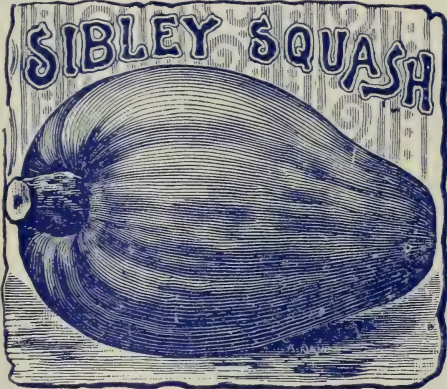
Salsify or Oyster Plant.

Large White, a splendid vegetable having a taste like oysters when cooked in the same way. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.
Sandwich Island Mammoth, a new sort, twice the size of the old Salsify; pure white, very tender and delicious. A great acquisition. Pkt., 10c.



Squash.

Ford Hook, the size is most convenient for family use, and the appearance is extremely handsome, of a bright yellow outside, and a straw yellow within. Flesh is dry and sweet, making it the best quality of all winter squashes. It seems incapable of rotting, and placed in a cool, dry room, keeps in perfect condition throughout the winter and spring, until late in June. The roots, which are slim and hard, furnish absolutely no food for the Squash Borer, and consequently is perfectly free from their attacks. Maturing early, it is everywhere a sure cropper. It is also a strong and rapid grower, so that the striped bug has never injured them, as it "grows away from them"—being earlier in ripening than any other winter squash. It matures far North where scarcely any other varieties ever ripen. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c.



Sibley, the shell is pale green in color, very hard and flinty, but at the same time so very thin and smooth as to occasion the least possible waste in baking. The flesh is solid and thick, a vivid, brilliant orange in color, and possessed of rare edible qualities, being dry, and it has a rich, delicate flavor, peculiarly its own. The squashes range in weight from eight to eleven pounds. The vine is remarkably vigorous, and ripens its fruit with the Hubbard. In its keeping qualities it excels all remaining in a good, dry cellar perfectly sound until the last of March, constantly improving in quality and flavor until the very last. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.00.

Metcalf, this new sort comes from Maine, where the best squashes we have ever seen are produced. It is of the Boston Marrow type, and is of a deep, rich orange color, being extremely dry, fine-grained and sweet. It is, in fact, the finest eating squash we have ever tried, and keeps well into the winter. Our seed is raised in Maine, and is true and pure, and will be found superior to squash seed raised in any other part of the country. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.25.

Giant Summer Crookneck, this new strain is even earlier than the common variety, while the squashes grow to an extra large size, measuring from eighteen inches to two feet long and of finest quality. Their handsome appearance commands an extra price on the market. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.25.

Early Scallop, fine early sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

Perfect Gem, excellent for both summer and winter. Very prolific, with a thin, smooth skin. Fine grained, dry, sweet and most delicious in flavor. Squashes of this variety have been kept a year in good condition. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

Mammoth Chili, this fine squash has been grown to weigh 300 pounds, while specimens of 200 pounds are very common. Notwithstanding its large size it is of good quality, and keeps perfectly until spring. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

Improved Hubbard, (private stock.) We have received a limited stock of this well-known green squash from a grower in Vermont, who has made a specialty of it for many years. It is acknowledged throughout the New England States as the purest and finest strain in the market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.25.

One packet each of above 8 best Squashes 50c.



Spinach.

American Savoy, a sort of the finest quality, and producing nearly twice the weight of crop as other sorts, and is also the hardiest of all Spinaches. The leaves are numerous, succulent, curled and wrinkled like a Savoy Cabbage. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 40c.

Viroflay, the popular market variety. Good for either fall or spring sowing. Leaves large, thick, roundish; an immense yielder. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.

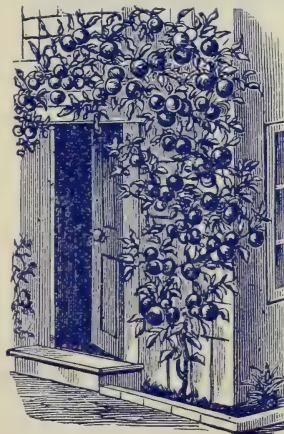


PEANUT, EARLY SWEET.

Peanut, Early Sweet.

This most excellent Peanut is so early it can be grown in any State or in Canada. With us it ripens in August and produces a good crop. The nuts are small, very compact and heavy, with thin shell, and of the sweetest and most delicious quality. Greatly superior to the larger and coarser ones. It makes but little top, and plants can stand three to four inches apart in drills. It is a most interesting plant to grow

North, where Peanut culture is unknown, and will prove a feature of particular interest to the children of the family. A light, sandy soil is best adapted to its growth. Pkt., 10c.; qt., 30c.



Climbing Tomato.

The vines of this excellent Tomato grow to a great length, and when trained and supported they will climb ten or twelve feet. They can be trained over a door or window, on trellises or the sides of buildings, and make a very unique object when loaded with their large red fruit. It is one of the best Tomatoes grown, as the fruit is large, smooth, solid and of fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.

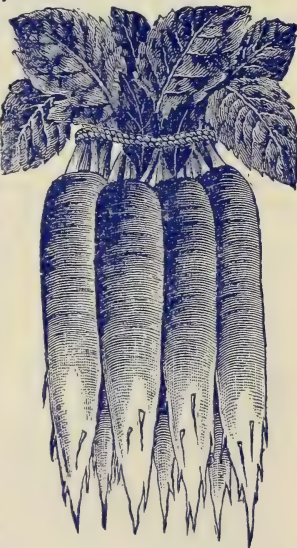
Radish.



The Radish is of such quick growth that they can be had in about three weeks from sowing at any time of year. When sown in a shallow box, pan or pot in the house at any time during the winter a supply can soon be had. They can be sown in the open ground very early in the spring and are soon ready for use.

The "Earliest," a remarkable sort, being a week earlier than any other. It is perfectly round, smooth and bright scarlet in color. It is very crisp and tender, and of sweet, mild flavor. We consider it the best of all Radishes. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

Early Mammoth, also known as "Shepherd" and "Chartier." This radish is the largest ever cultivated, growing to the enormous size of two to three feet in length and eight inches in diameter. In quality and flavor it is unsurpassed. Its general color is bright pink. Its growth is very rapid, maturing for table and market use in twenty-five to thirty days from time of sowing. It remains tender and crisp for four to six weeks after it is ready for use, and is good for either spring, summer or fall. Pkt. 10c.; oz. 20c.; lb., \$1.



RADISH, EARLY MAMMOTH.

French Breakfast, we consider this the best olive-shaped sort. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb. 60c.

Early Scarlet Turnip, one of the best. Pkt. 5c.; oz. 10c.; lb. 60c.

Black Fall or Spanish, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

CHINESE ROSE WINTER, a mid-summer, fall and winter sort, sown from July to September; lovely scarlet-rose color. Very meaty, smooth and tender. A long, oval or stump-rooted. *Extra fine.* Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; ¼ lb., 25c.; lb., 90c.

Surprise, a good early Radish, as it does not become strong and pithy, but holds its fine quality late in the summer. Color rich light brown, very thin skinned, flesh snow white, crisp, very tender, fine flavored and sweet. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

Childs' 12 Months Mixture. See novelties. Per oz., 10c.
One packet each of above seven best Radishes 30 cents.

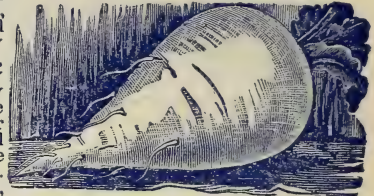


Turnip.

Early Ivory, a sort of peculiar value, owing to its extreme earliness. It grows almost as quickly as a radish, and to a great extent resembles a large white winter Radish. It is very sweet and in every respect of first-class quality. It is sure to become an indispensable variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Improved American Rutabaga, large in size, smooth and beautiful in shape, quick in growth, crisp, tender and superior quality. In short, it is the finest of all the Rutabagas. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

BREADSTONE, of medium size, and very quick-growing. The roots are very smooth and white, with a faint green top. The flesh is perfectly white, fine grained and cooks in only fifteen minutes. It is remarkably tender, very sweet and the finest turnip for winter and spring use we have ever seen. Grower says, "Cooks very tender, fine grained; sweet enough, without the strong odor and flavor so very objectionable. It cooks done in about the time required for a potato. Good when harvested in the fall, but its comparative merits do not fully show up until spring, when other varieties grow pithy, strong, and uneatable." Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.



BREADSTONE TURNIP.



YELLOW GLOBE.



EARLY MILAN.

Extra Early Milan, the earliest of all strap-leaved; flat, medium sized, smooth, and a bright purple top. The pure white flesh is of the most delicious quality; keeps well all winter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.

Early Flat Dutch, clear white skin, and flesh of juicy, mild flavor, tender and delicate to the taste. It grows very quickly and is one of the very best, either for the home garden or for market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Purple Top White Globe, of large size and very rapid growth, globe-shaped with red top, fine quality and an excellent keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Large Yellow Globe, flesh yellow, firm, fine grained and very sweet. Grows to a large size, and keeps well to late spring. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

One packet each of above seven best Turnips 25 cents.



STATION TREE.

Tomatoes.

Of this delicious vegetable we offer not a large variety, but the VERY BEST of all. The new ones we offer are particularly fine, especially Ruby Queen, and the three luscious "Fruit" Tomatoes—Peach, Fig and Raisin.

Childs' Ruby Queen, a grand Tomato of enormous size, and as smooth as an apple. Its color is the deepest and darkest crimson red, very rich and beautiful. It is very solid, with few seeds, and of the very finest quality. It has very thin skin, and its flesh throughout is the most tender seen. It has not a particle of coarseness or toughness. It is just the sort you would choose for your own table, above all others. It is much like the Golden Jubilee except in color, and is perhaps rounder and smoother in shape. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Childs' Golden Jubilee, the enormous fruits weighing upwards of two pounds are of the deepest and richest golden color, and are borne very abundantly. In shape they are mostly round and more solid and contain less seeds than any other sort we know, notwithstanding its enormous size. Its quality is the richest and best; the only yellow sort we know of as good quality as the best red ones. Sliced with red ones for table use they make a beautiful dish. The skin will peel from them as readily as though they were scalded, a feature not found in other Tomatoes, and one which will be greatly appreciated by cooks. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Turner Hybrid, this grand Tomato is entirely different from all others, particularly in foliage, which is entire and not cut. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$1.50.

Ignotum, the nearest perfection of all. For family or market use. Very early and a prodigious bearer. Five days ahead of Dwarf Champion and Volunteer, and way ahead of all others except Station Tree. Large, smooth, and very regular. Exceedingly heavy and solid. The seed cavities are the smallest of any Tomato. Very deep, handsome color, ripens perfectly up to the stem. Remarkably free from cracking or rotting. Delicious flavor. In an exhibition of over 100 varieties this was singled out as the handsomest and most desirable of all. We say today this is ahead of the list. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.00.

Station Tree, this is a very remarkable variety in many respects. The name is taken because the New York Experiment Station originated this variety by crossing the French Tree with Alpha. Without exception or doubt the earliest of all, at least a few days. Plant very compact. Foliage almost black green, very thick and curly. Fruit medium, and borne in great numbers, solid, tender, and of good quality. Being a hybrid it produces little seed—sometimes only one seed to a fruit. From its compact habit, it will make a fine pot plant and force profitably. All growers should try it. Pkt., 10c.

Golden Fig, the beautiful golden yellow fruit is borne in clusters of 8 or 10 perfect Tomatoes on one stem. In pro-



ductiveness we have never seen anything to equal it. With us the past summer 25 plants set thick and without extra care produced eight bushels of fruit. The beautiful miniature tomatoes are about one inch in diameter, perfectly round and as even in size as if they had all been cast in one mould. The skin and flesh are a rich golden yellow, solid, thick meated, with a flavor similar to other tomatoes, but much sweeter and more palatable. For preserving or pickling they are perfectly delicious, and when canned or dried in sugar, like figs, make excellent pies or tarts for winter use, or for eating, dried like figs. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Peach, this tomato is about the size, color and shape of a large full ripe peach, and of an entirely different flavor from a tomato, and by most people liked much better. When gathered no one is able to tell what they are by their looks. They are very beautiful and generally taken for some rare or unknown tropical fruit. For picking from the vines and eating out of hand they are liked by most people much better than the finest peaches or oranges. They are simply superb, and those who plant them once will ever after grow them in quantity for table use, either raw, cooked or preserved. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

German Raisin, a fine sort, bearing its fruit, which is the size of cherries, in large grape-like clusters or bunches. In color they are dark red and look exceedingly beautiful and tempting as they hang in great masses among the branches and foliage. They are excellent for canning or preserving and can be dried in sugar, like raisins. The green fruit is also excellent for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 50c.

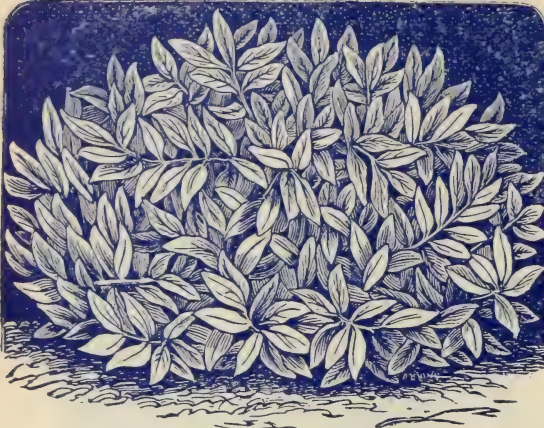
Volunteer, (private stock), we have had hundreds of letters from all parts of the country from people who write us that "the Volunteer is all you claim for it," the best Tomato they ever grew. The plants this season in an extensive test of over 100 varieties attracted much attention from their immense yield, and handsome, showy fruit. A heavy continuous bearer; showy, bright red color. Weighs from 6 to 10 ounces, making it the most desirable size for all uses. Flavor is remarkably pleasant, being superior to any large tomato we know. The pulp and side walls are firm, tender, and entirely free from hard matter. For marketing it is perfect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$2.50.



VOLUNTEER.

Mixed Tomato Seed, a fine mixture of over 50 sorts, all shapes and colors, large, small, early and late. For family gardens nothing is better than this mixed seed as it gives such a great variety. Pkt., 10c.

Vegetable Plants and Roots.



MAMMOTH SAGE.

Mammoth Sage.

A single plant of this Sage will yield more than a dozen of the common. The leaves are of enormous size and superior quality, and the plant a compact, rank grower, covering a space of more than three feet in diameter. It rarely flowers and never runs to seed, and can be picked all the season. It is perfectly hardy in the coldest climate. Every person who has use for Sage should plant this variety. Fine plants, 15c.; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.

Stachys Affinis.



STACHYS.

then very sweet and delicious. Price of fine tubers 10c. per doz., 50c. per 100, \$2.00 per 1,000,

Chinese Artichoke, or Vegetable Whitebait, the bulbs taste much like the tuber of an Artichoke, and are good cooked in a variety of ways, fried, roasted, baked, etc., but are particularly valuable for stock, owing to their enormous productiveness. They are probably the most valuable feed to raise for swine. With us the past season, planted in ordinary soil, they yielded a bushel of tubers to every ten feet of row. The bulbs are very sweet, tender and nutritious. They are perfectly hardy, and like Parsnips or Artichokes, are best if left in the ground till spring. They are



CHUFAS.

Chufas, or Earth Almond, the nuts or tubers are very sweet and nutritious, and grow under ground, very near the surface. Easily and cheaply grown, abundant in yield, greedily eaten by hogs, which take on firm fat from them. They mature in September, and lie in the soil till wanted. They are delicious. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.

Asparagus.

Asparagus, Mammoth, fine roots. (See page 74.) 75c. per dozen, \$3.00 per 100.

Tarragon.

An herb of a remarkable aromatic flavor; pungent, but very pleasant, stimulating to the appetite, and indispensable when once used. This is largely used by the French in salads, soups and sauces. Tarragon vinegar, used when the fresh leaves are out of season, is made by placing the leaves in a jar and covering with vinegar. 15c. each, \$1.50 per doz.



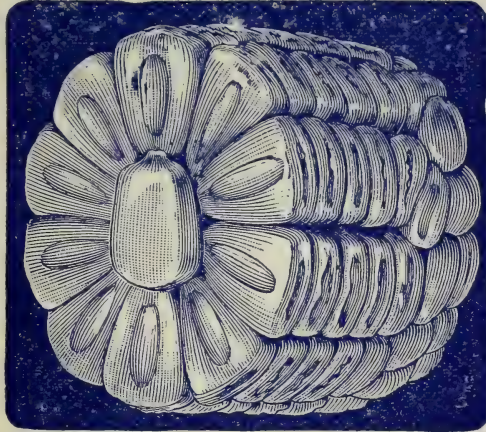
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AGRICULTURAL SEEDS.

To those interested in High Grade Farm Seeds, the following will prove interesting. In this line we offer but few sorts, only such as have special merits, and they can be relied upon for all that is claimed for them.

New Field Corn, Golden Superb.

The grandest and handsomest field corn we have ever seen. It is a large golden dent variety, and so early that it is adapted to the Northern States. In fact it is the earliest dent corn known, and originated in Connecticut some years ago, where it has since been extensively grown. It is enormously prolific, producing over 200 bushels to the acre in *very dry* seasons, with ordinary cultivation, in hills four feet apart each way. Ears of large size, perfect in shape, and very handsome. There is no doubt but that it is the finest field corn in cultivation. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 35c.; 3 lbs., \$1.00, postpaid. By express or freight, peck, \$1.50; bu., \$4.00.



CORN, HICKORY KING.

Corn, Hickory King.

This new Giant Field Corn has astonished the world, growing as it does 15 feet high and producing the largest kernel and smallest cob of any corn. A single kernel will cover the cob of a broken ear, as seen in the cut. It is an enormous yielder, each stalk bearing two or more ears. It is very strong, standing severe storms without lodging. The grain is white and very hard. Altogether it is a most remarkable variety. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 35c.; 3 lbs., \$1.00, by mail, postpaid. By express, \$1.00 per peck; \$3.00 per bushel.

Brown Dhoura Corn.

Has yielded 200 bushels of clean grain per acre. Highly valued because of its certainty to produce heavy crops on poor, dry soil. Superior food for fowls, and as good as wheat or barley for horses. As forage, the stalks are eaten greedily by cows and sheep; endures drought well, and is valuable in droughty sections where other fodder plants suffer. Makes delicious mush, cakes, etc. Plant in hills, same as Indian corn. For fodder, sow in drills. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 40c., postpaid.

Tobacco, Persian Muscatelle.



some of them were almost large enough to cover the body of a fair sized man. The leaves are unusually small ribbed, very elastic, of finest possible texture, and when properly cured, of a light brown color and of mild flavor; cannot help bringing the highest price in the market." Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; lb., \$5.00.

We do not believe in the use of Tobacco, except for the destruction of insects and as an ornamental plant. Yet all of our customers will not agree with us, and if they must use it, we advise them to try this new sort, which is the best of all, an exceedingly ornamental plant, and so early it can be grown in any State. It is from the gardens of the King of Persia. The grower says of it: "It is one of the earliest varieties we have, of remarkable strong and vigorous growth, attaining the height of 5 to 7 feet. The stalks are strong and heavy, thickly set with leaves, many of them measuring 3½ to 4½ feet in length, with proportionate width; in fact, it produces 40 tons to the acre. At the rate which hay and other stock feed costs, Teosinte will yield \$200 worth of fodder or ensilage to the acre. Plant it as you would Indian Corn. Mr. W. J. Pitts, of Stockbridge, Ga., writes, "I cut two 2-horse loads of forage from one ounce of seed." It may be cut two or three times during the season. It never suffers in drought or rain. Three pounds of seed enough for an acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

Millet, Canary Bird.

This is a plant useful in many ways. First, it is valuable as an ornamental grass, the long heads of rich yellow grain (15 to 20 inches long) being exceedingly graceful and beautiful for large bouquets or vases of dried everlasting flowers, autumn leaves or grasses for winter decoration. Secondly, the seed is most valuable food for canaries or other birds, and is cheaply raised, a packet of seed producing many pounds, with little or no attention. Thirdly, it is a most valuable grain to raise for stock or fowls, outyielding oats two to one, and is greatly relished by all animals. It is also a valuable fodder plant for feeding green or making hay. The plants grow about three feet high, its long graceful heads of grain being very ornamental for clumps or masses. Sown in May it ripens in August. This plant is destined to be grown universally from Maine to California as soon as its merits are known. Try it for your fowls or birds, and you will ever after grow it abundantly. It gives an enormous yield. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.00.



CANARY BIRD MILLET.



TEOSINTE.

Teosinte.

As a forage plant this is the greatest thing of the age, and for the South is without an equal. In appearance it somewhat resembles corn, but the leaves are much longer and broader, and sweeter. It grows 12 feet high, producing a great number of shoots, which are thickly covered with heavy foliage. 85 stalks have been grown from one seed, and it produces 40 tons to the acre. At the rate which hay and other stock feed costs, Teosinte will yield \$200 worth of fodder or ensilage to the acre. Plant it as you would Indian Corn. Mr. W. J. Pitts, of Stockbridge, Ga., writes, "I cut two 2-horse loads of forage from one ounce of seed." It may be cut two or three times during the season. It never suffers in drought or rain. Three pounds of seed enough for an acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.



WINTER
FROM
ONE SEED!

TURF
OAT

New Winter Oat.

Winter Turf, a hardy robust winter Oat for fall sowing is indeed a novelty worthy the attention of every farmer in the land. It is exceedingly heavy and enormously productive, as many as 150 strong stems having been counted growing from one stool and bearing 6,342 grains, all from one seed. Sow as you would winter wheat or rye, the latter part of August or in September, and it will afford the finest winter pasture which it is possible to have, and yet give an enormous crop of grain, which ripens early, before it can be injured by dry weather. The straw grows to the height of 4 or 5 feet, with enormous heads of grain a foot in length. Grain large, plump, and exceedingly heavy. We believe it will yield twice as much to the acre as any other Oat, and that it will supersede all other kinds. Supply limited. Do not wait until sowing time in August or September before ordering, but order now and make sure of it. Price, per oz. pkt., 10c.; lb., 30c.; 4 lbs., \$1.00, by mail, postpaid; \$1.50 per peck; \$4.00 per bushel, by express or freight.

Duckwheat.

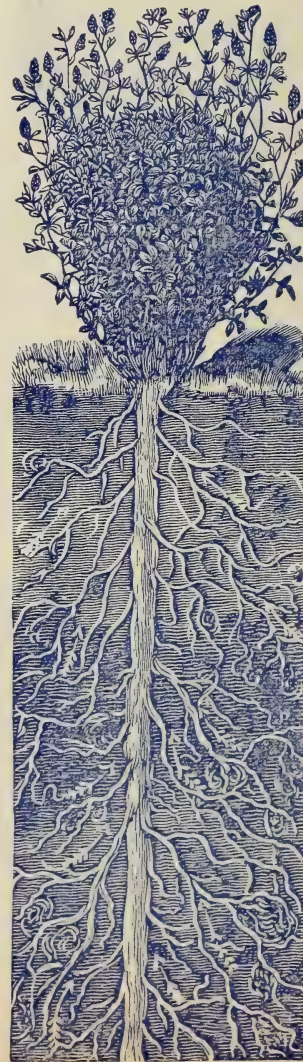
This is also known as Hulless Buckwheat. It is said that the first seed was found in the crop of a wild duck, which was shot while flying over from the North; and the supposition is that it grows in the vicinity of Hudson Bay. The grain is a little smaller than Buckwheat, of a brownish color and with rounded instead of sharp angles. It grows and matures very quickly giving a yield which is perfectly enormous, far in excess of any other grain. It makes an extra fine flour, and for growing for poultry or swine feeding it is, we believe, the most profitable of all grain. It may be sown late in July or August, on ground where early crops have been taken off. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 30c.; 4 lbs., \$1.00, postpaid; peck, by express, \$2.00; bushel, \$5 00.



DUCKWHEAT

Alfalfa or Lucerne, (Giant Clover.)

(THE GREATEST FERTILIZING AND FORAGE PLANT.)



This plant has been thoroughly tested in all parts of the country, and has proved to be one of the most valuable products of the soil. The following are its principal points of merit:

1st. It is such a rapid grower that it yields three enormous crops of hay in a season, maturing its first crop in about two months from the time growth commences. The second crop will mature in six weeks from the time of cutting, and the third in five weeks.

2d. It will thrive on dry, barren, sandy soil, where no other vegetation will grow at all.

3d. Its strong roots go down into the ground more than twenty feet, and if there is moisture or fertilizing ingredients not on the surface, it will find it and bring them up, resulting in a rank top growth, so that

4th. When plowed under it proves the greatest of all fertilizers, and poor worthless soil can, in a short time, be made rich and productive without a penny's worth of manure or other fertilizers.

5th. It stands erect, never lodging or falling down like ordinary clover, and outyields it two to one, and is good for two or three crops per year for ten years without renewing.

Culture.—Sow fifteen pounds to the acre, either alone or with oats or with other grain. If sown on very poor land, clear sand or gravel, sow twenty pounds to the acre. It is not recommended for land that is very wet and soggy. Cut when in full bloom. It is entirely hardy in all parts.

Price, per trial pkt., 10c.; lb., 50c.; 5 lbs., \$2 00, postpaid. By express, 10 lbs., \$2.50; 100 lbs., \$20.00.



RYE
"CHALLENGE,"

"PRIDE
OF AMERICA"

Grand New Grains.

Wheat "Pride of America"—A new Winter Wheat of great value. It is the greatest cropper known, and as to hardiness nothing can surpass it, as it stands the severe winters of Vermont without the slightest injury. The heads are large and beardless, straw stout and erect, while the grain is of great size and weight, and of a splendid light color. It is the handsomest grain we ever saw. There is no doubt but that, owing to its great hardiness, productiveness, weight, beauty, and fine quality, it is to be the most popular Winter Wheat of the future. It makes a flour of unsurpassed quality. Mr. E. D. Griswold, of Vermont, writes: "I have three-fourths of an acre of *Pride of America* Wheat, and it is looking fine. It is the greatest Wheat ever seen, will stand the winters better than Rye, and will produce more bushels to the acre than Oats. It produces 47 pounds of the nicest flour to the bushel." Price, 10c. per ounce; 30c. per pound; 4 pounds for \$1.00, by mail, postpaid. Per bushel, by express, \$6.00; per peck, \$2.00.

New Rye "Challenge."—This new Winter Rye is most remarkable in many respects. It produces a head of grain nearly twice as long as any other sort, and is therefore nearly twice as prolific. It also ripens very early and its straw is of wonderful length. It is, in every respect, the most desirable and profitable sort to grow, hardy, robust, of great productiveness and fine quality. It originated in Vermont, where it has been grown for several years. It is the great Rye of the future, and all live farmers will secure a stock at once and profit thereby. Price, 10c. per oz.; 30c. per lb.; 4 pounds for \$1.00, by mail, postpaid. Per bushel, by express, \$5.00; per peck, \$1.75.

Pringles New Spring Wheat "Grandee."—We are fortunate in having secured the entire stock of this new Spring Wheat, which is a splendid companion to "Pride of America," exactly like it in all respects, except being a spring variety and a little darker in color. Heads large, long, beardless; grain large, plump, heavy, and of superior quality. It is said to be truly the finest spring wheat in cultivation, and we believe it. It is enormously productive. Price, 10c. per oz.; 50c. per lb.; 5 lbs. for \$2.00, postpaid. Per bushel, by express, \$10.00.

Famous Black Barley.—We have a fine stock of the famous and valuable Black Barley, which is so prolific and in many respects superior to any other sort. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 25c.; 5 lbs., \$1.00, postpaid; per peck, \$1.00; bushel, \$2.50, by express or freight.

ORDERS FILLED FOR THESE VALUABLE GRAINS AT ANY TIME OF YEAR.





POP CORN.

SPLENDID CASH PREMIUM FOR BOYS.

We hope everyone who cultivates a piece of ground, grows a small patch of Pop Corn, especially if they have children to enjoy it during the long winter evenings. Nothing is more enjoyable, and to encourage Pop Corn culture we offer eight superb new sorts very cheap, and will give the following prizes to those who will raise and send us the eight best ears, one ear each of the eight kinds: First prize of \$15.00 will be paid for the best set of eight ears. Second prize of \$10.00, and third prize, \$5. Send the ears by mail during October, and the prizes will be awarded, November 1st. To those who send in samples and do not secure any of the three prizes, we will send some sort of a little present to show our appreciation of their efforts. Now give the children a chance. All who compete will be notified of the awards.

California Golden, this beautiful miniature variety of Pop Corn is a native of Lower California, and is certainly a curious and beautiful variety. The stalks grow from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 feet high, bearing numerous very small ears from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 inches in length, perfect in form and shape. Its deep pointed grains are of a fine, rich golden color, and its popping qualities are splendid. When dried, shelled and popped, each grain forms a round, white ball, looking like miniature balls of snow. It is also valuable and highly esteemed for mantel ornaments and Christmas decorations, as the small, delicate, beautiful ears, with their shining golden grains, among everlasting, dried grasses, or other holiday decorations, form a remarkable, pleasing and attractive appearance. It is extremely hardy and very productive, nearly every stalk bearing from 3 to 6 perfect ears. Pkt., 10c.

Maple Dale Prolific, a most marvelous Pop Corn, as it bears from 10 to 20 ears on a stalk, to the utter astonishment of all who see it. The introducer claims it will average 12 ears to the stalk, another party reports 121 ears from 10 stalks. It is fine quality, and of course outstrips all in productiveness. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

Golden Tom Thumb, an exceedingly fine novelty. The stalks grow only eighteen inches high, and each stalk produces two or three perfect little ears, only 2 to $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches long, completely filled with bright, golden-yellow grains, which, when popped expand to a large size. On one stalk we measured three ears, starting from within six inches of the ground. The stalks do not stool, and each stalk averages five leaves, which are of an extra dark-green color. In a word it is a perfect miniature corn, most distinct from its handsome dwarf growth. So ornamental and compact is the growth, that we are quite sure it will

be a feature of many a garden. It grows very quickly and the ears are ready to gather by August 1st. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts. for 25c.

Queen's Golden, this handsome new Pop Corn is splendid in yield, in sturdy growth, in size and in color when popped—being of a delicate golden yellow. Above all, its exceeding tenderness when popped, together with its delicious and delicate taste. When popped it expands to an inch in diameter, and is as white and light as a snowflake. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.

New Striped, a most beautiful and highly valuable sort. The color is a clear, transparent white, and each kernel is distinctly striped with bright crimson. The ears are of good size and well filled out; kernels are large and pointed, resembling rice. It ripens early and is very productive. When popped, it is exceedingly tender, snow-white, large and delicious. Pkt., 10c.

Improved Red Rice, a fine sort of good size ear, and dark red colored kernels. When popped it is pure white and very tender. One of the very best sorts grown. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.

Snowflake, a superb sort with light pointed kernels set thickly on the cob. When popped it is very large, and very light, white as snow and as sweet as a nut. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

New Blue, a new sort of a bluish color, odd and curious. Ears of fair size, uniform and perfect in make up. For popping it is excellent and is a valuable addition to our excellent collection. Pkt. 10c.

Special Offer. For only 50 cents we will send one packet each of these eight elegant sorts.

CHOICE SUMMER FLOWERING BULBS.

The bulbs generally known as Summer Flowering are those that will not bear freezing, and require to be taken up in the fall, after early frosts, thoroughly dried, and put away in the cellar until spring. They require no more care or labor in their cultivation than the growing of potatoes, and during their continuance in bloom make a most gorgeous exhibition. We make a specialty of this grand class of flowers and have a superior stock of bulbs. Our Gladiolus cannot be excelled, being the largest and finest collection in the world. Our Excelsior Pearl Tuberoses and Dahlias are unsurpassed, while our list of Amaryllis is the finest in the country. The Tigridias and Tritomas are flowers of great beauty, and Begonias and Zephyranthes are gems which must not be overlooked. Plant a good collection of bulbs, by all means.



Our collection of Gladiolus is the largest and finest in existence, and we supply the largest half of these bulbs which the world uses. Their cultivation is our leading specialty, and last season we grew 50 acres of them, and at this writing have upwards of ten million bulbs for sale.

The Gladiolus is the most showy of all the Summer flowering bulbs; in fact, no flower equals it for brilliant display, and none are more easily grown. Bulbs should be planted in the open ground from last of April to first of July, and they will bloom from July to October. Plant three inches deep and four inches apart. In October the bulbs should be lifted, dried and stored in the cellar over winter. They produce the finest effect when planted in clumps or masses, and a bed of a hundred or more is a grand sight. Too much cannot be said in praise of our mixtures. They will produce a gorgeous array of choice colors, while our list of named sorts includes every good known variety.

Our Grand Mixtures.

Our mixed Gladiolus are very fine indeed, being choice varieties only. All old and common ones have been discarded, and customers can depend upon having a large and magnificent variety of colors. They cannot be too highly praised.

	Per doz.	Per 100
White and Light varieties, mixed; superb.....	\$ 50	\$3 00
Scarlet and Red, extra fine scarlet and red.....	35	2 50
Pink, fine pink and rose shades.....	35	2 50
Yellow and Orange, best yellow colors.....	75	4 00
Striped and Variegated, extra fine.....	50	3 00
All Colors Mixed, a grand mixture of our unrivalled collection, first size, (per 1,000 \$20.00)....	30	2 25
All Colors Mixed, second size, but all flowering bulbs which will give great satisfaction, (per 1,000 \$8.00).....	15	1 00

Superb Collections at a Bargain.

Collection A.—10 choice named varieties for 25c., as follows:

- Branchleyensis**, intense scarlet; very showy.
- Coquette**, bright cherry red, with pure white blotches.
- Ceres**, pure white, spotted purple rose.
- Carnation**, fleshy white, tinged bright carmine.
- Fatma**, ivory white, striped lovely rose.
- Golden Sceptre**, bright golden yellow.
- John Bull**, pure white.
- Mad. Monneret**, lovely clear pink.
- Napoleon III**, bright scarlet, white throat.
- Stella**, white, tinged yellow and rose.

These 10 splendid sorts for 25c. They would cost at regular rates \$1.00.

Collection B.—10 of the grandest named sorts for 50c., as follows:

- African**, crimson black, blotched white.
- Bicolore**, bright salmon rose with white blotches.
- B. B. Coutts**, lilac rose, flamed purple.
- Duchess of Edinburg**, purplish rose, carmine stripes.
- Grand Rouge**, large intense scarlet, grand.
- Mr. Bains**, clear light cherry red.
- Mlle. Marie Mies**, delicate rose, flamed and blotched.
- Octaroon**, lovely salmon pink.
- Snow White**, clear snow white.
- Shakespeare**, white, suffused with carmine rose.

These 10 grand sorts for 50c., would cost at regular rates \$3.00.



GLADIOLI.

Named Gladiolus.

A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL THE BEST VARIETIES.

	EACH.
Ababa —Crispe, shaded maroon, white center.....	1.50
Ahalus —White with violet stripe.....	15
Abricote —Large rounded petals of a very fresh apricot-rose, tinged lilac.....	60
Achille —Beautiful currant red, white stripe in each petal.....	20
Adanson —Rose, tinged lilac, large blotch on white ground, tinged yellow, edged with carmine, flushed lilac.....	10
Addison —Dark amaranth, with white stripes.....	10
Admiral Courbet —Tall spike of carmine-violet flowers, white blotch streaked with cherry-rose.....	30
Adonis —Light cherry, lower petals yellow with crimson blotch.....	10
African —Darkest crimson black, with pure white blotch in the throat. The darkest and one of the finest colors, large flower and spike.....	25
Agatha —Rose, suffused with lake, flamed carmine-amaranth; clear yellow spots.....	10
Agilus —Bright salmon, slightly feathered at the outer edge with vermilion, blotch cream color.....	15
Alexander —Intense crimson scarlet.....	20
All —Tall and compact spike with numerous and perfectly arranged flowers. The ground of the upper petals is of a very pale creamy rose, striped and speckled cherry, lower petals yellow, with a rose sheen, and finely rayed or striped purplish red.....	50
Amalthee —Pure white, with large violet-red blotch; ground of the corolla velvety violet, the lower petals slightly tinted with lilac.....	15
Amroise Verschaftel —Rosy carmine flamed with garnet; large rose blotch.....	15
Amitie —Large, fleshy, bright yellow flowers, shaded with straw color on the lower petals, streaked with purple; the edge flamed with bright rose.....	25
Anna —White, slightly tinged with lilac; large sulphur white blotch, broadly striped lilac-carmine.....	15
Andalous —Amaranth, slightly tinged towards the center; large white blotch suffused with amaranth.....	50
Andre Leroy —Deep cherry red, flamed and striped with a darker shade, white blotch and white stripe in center of each petal.....	25
Andromede —Very tall spike of well-shaped flowers of a fine rose color, slightly tinged with carmine and profusely streaked white; large yellow blotch.....	20
Angele —White, showy and effective.....	10
Angelique —Superb spike with numerous large flowers; white tinted slightly flesh blotch ivory-white.....	50
Anna —Cherry, tinged bright orange, lower petals striped dark carmine on white.....	15
Anthony Waterer —Scarlet, with streaks down the centers of the lower divisions.....	25
Antigone —Delicate rose flamed with carmine.....	15
Antiope —Light orange cherry, dark carmine blotch.....	15
Antonius —Scarlet cherry, slightly tinged with orange, flamed carmine, pure white blotch.....	10
Apollon —Rosy lilac, with a large light-rose blotch, striped white in the center.....	25
Araba Paeha —Scarlet flower of a very bright shade; large, ivory white blotch, golden at the edges.....	10
Archduchess Christine —White, slightly tinged with lilac, flamed rosy carmine.....	15
Archimedes —Light red.....	10
Arcthusa —White, slightly tinged with rose and striped with light carmine.....	25
Argus —Dazzling fiery red, center and lower petals pure white.....	15
Ariane —White ground, slightly tinged with rosy-lilac, bordered and flamed carmine-rose; the lower petals pure white.....	15
Aristote —Pink.....	10
Arlquin —Salmon rose, very richly striped and flamed with bright carmine, large carmine blotch on golden yellow ground.....	25
Arsine —Flesh color, flamed bright carmine.....	10
A. Souchet —White ground flamed with carmine-rose.....	10
Astree —Pure white, with distinct violet-carmine blotch; throat suffused with pale lilac.....	15
Atlas —White, slightly tinged with lilac and striped bright violet.....	30
Aurore —Bright orange, striped orange, carmine and lilac, blotch cherry rose, streaked violet.....	25
Aurora de Feu —Handsome spike, bright rose passing to scarlet, golden-yellow center, of the freshest and most brilliant shade.....	75
Ball of Fire —Scarlet crimson, maroon blotch with blue center.....	10
Baroness Burdet —Delicate lilac tinged with rose, flamed rosy purple, spike very long, flowers unusually large.....	30
Bayard —Large, carmine-red flowers, slightly tinged with lilac, and delicately banded with white in the center of the petals.....	40
Beatrix —Pure white ground, delicately flushed with carmine-lilac.....	25
Belladonna —White, tinted with light lilac, lower petals have bright carmine stripes.....	50
Benvenuto —Brilliant orange-red; white blotch.....	10
Bernard de Jessieu —Violet, shaded cherry and purple.....	10
Bernard Pallisay —Light cherry red, flamed and striped carmine-rose, white blotch.....	15
Bicolora —Large flowers of bright rosy salmon, except lower petals which are ivory white suffused with rose at edges.....	25
Big Medicine —Blush-white marked violet.....	25
Bijou —Bright orange-cherry flamed with scarlet.....	20
Blandina —Delicate cream lilac, slightly tinged fleshy rose.....	50
Blondine —Tall, compact spike of large, straw-colored flowers, slightly streaked at the edges with rosy lilac; very delicate shade.....	10
Bowlensis —Crimson scarlet.....	10
Bremontier —Bright rose profusely tinted carmine; blotch and bands pure white, streaked violet.....	20
Brecheyensis —Vermilion scarlet, fine old variety.....	65
Brenus —Crimson-maroon, white center tinged with blue, violet stripe on lower petals.....	25
Bruce Findlay —Salmon-colored rose with a white throat.....	25
Brunette —Beautiful shade of carmine, blotch cream color striped with purple, white line on each petal.....	15
Buteo —Rose, with a pure white center.....	20
Calypso —Flesh color, streaked rose and blotched carmine.....	10
Cameleon —Compact truss of large, slaty lilac flowers, flamed orange, with white bands down the middle of each petal, large, creamy white blotch, streaked violet.....	20
Canova —White, mottled rosy-lake.....	15
Caprice —Long spike of large, well-expanded flowers; upper petals bright rosy tinted lilac, with broad pure white bands.....	25
Carnation —Fleshy white profusely tinted at the edges with the richest carmine. Lower petals blotched purplish carmine.....	20
Cervantes —Very large, of bright rose color, slightly tinged lilac and profusely streaked with carmine and pure white.....	25

Cellene —Light orange red, flamed brilliant red.....	15
Celine —Pink, flamed with white.....	15
Ceres —Pure white, spotted with purplish rose.....	25
Charent —Lilac, shaded with purple.....	15
Champs de Mars —Saffrino, distinct white blotch, bottom.....	25
Charles Dickens —Delicate rose, tinted with buff, flamed and striped carmine rose.....	10
Cherubini —White, flamed carmine violet.....	10
Chilce —White ground, profusely mottled with carmine, flamed with purplish-carmine.....	25
Christopher Columbus —Rosy-carmine, flamed red; large violet-red blotch on lower petals, marbled and spotted crimson.....	10
Chrysolora —Golden-yellow, pure and distinct. The finest yellow variety.....	150
Citrus —Upper petals light yellow; lower petals black.....	15
Clemence —Delicate satin-rose, shaded dark rose, feathered bright carmine.....	15
Cleopatra —Soft lilac; lower petals of a darker hue, suffused violet.....	10
Colbert —Cherry-red, slightly tinted orange, with a white stripe down each petal.....	15
Colorado —Very brilliant orange, with large white blotch.....	25
Colombine —Cream, blazed with lilac; purple; purple stain on yellow ground.....	15
Comte de Morny —Dark cherry-red; white blotch; streaked lake.....	15
Conde —Light orange red; white blotch feathered carmine.....	10
Conquerant —Handsome spike of very large carmine with purple blotch, and a well-defined white band down each petal.....	30
Conquete —Large and fine flower of bright cherry-red, with a conspicuous pure white blotch; upper petals striped with delicate rose.....	20
Constance —Very vigorous, profusely regular, compact and well-arranged spikes of amaranth-red flowers, with a small creamy-white blotch.....	25
Coralle —White, tinted with rose and yellow; flamed with bright rose; yellow blotch.....	25
Corinne —Tall spike of large rosy-carmine, shading off to cherry; streaked and speckled carmine at the edges, blotch creamy-white striped violet.....	25
Corsaire —Compact spike, large flowers, of a very intense dark and velvety-scarlet, and tinted with brown at the edge.....	75
Coumiss Craven —Rose; flaked carmine.....	25
Cranberry —Plenty of carmine, with a few red flowers; deeper at edges of the petals, which are flamed garnet-red, shading off to rose towards the center.....	1.00
Crepuscle —Large and well-expanded; flowers of lilac-rose; slightly flushed with carmine and violet on the edges of petals.....	30
Creech —Large, fleshy, yellow shaded darker towards the center; flamed carmine at the edge and feathered amaranth red.....	15
Crystal Palace —Shining carmine, veined rose color.....	15
Cuylver —Amaranth; flamed with purple.....	20
Cybele —Handsome spike; white; flamed bright carmine.....	15
Dalla —Bright rose flowers, streaked and flamed with carmine, very large, pure white blotch.....	20
Daphnis —Tall and compact spike of fine large, well-shaped flowers; fine rosy-salmon, flamed in and outside of the outer divisions with slaty-violet, blotched white.....	35
Daubenton —Large, well-opened flower, of a bright rosy-lilac, towards the edges passing to bright rose flamed carmine, white bands in the center of each petal.....	30
Delicatissime —White, suffused with soft carmine-lilac; the pure-white lower petals edged lilac.....	15
Diamond —Fleshy-white; of a remarkable freshness, throat ivory-white, blotched and streaked carmine.....	25
Diana —Blush-white; shaded rose, blotch light carmine.....	15
Dictateur —Long, compact spike of large flowers, white in the center; the sepals are conspicuously flushed with carmine-red, on a pale lilac ground.....	25
Didon —White, suffused pale lilac; lower petals pure white.....	30
Doctor Fontan —Close spikes of well-opened flowers; rosy-lilac, blotched bright carmine.....	20
Doctor Hogg —Mauve, suffused with rose; center pure white.....	20
Doctor Lindley —Delicate rose, shading off to bright rose; flamed with carmine-cherry.....	15
Doctor Woodford —Salmon, flaked with carmine, with a yellow spot on the lower petals.....	20
Drap D'Or —Long spike of middle-sized, numerous, well-arranged flowers of a clear yellow, slightly tinged and flamed with rose; the bright yellow lower petals have a large carmine blotch.....	1.00
Duchess of Edinburgh —An eminent English culturist describes this variety as follows: "A flower of fine form and great substance, a plant of strong growth, attaining a height of six feet. Purplish-rose, with a carmine stripe on the lower divisions, without exception the finest variety ever sent out."	50
Duc de Malakoff —White ground, feathered blotch of deep orange.....	15
Dumont d'Arville —Cherry spike, a light cherry, flaked and striped rich carmine, distinct pure-white blotch; white stripe in the center of each petal.....	15
Eclair —Bright scarlet, flamed fiery-red, blotch pure white, with broad white bands in the middle of each petal.....	20
Edith —Fine, self pink.....	10
Eglantine —Tall spike, with perfectly-shaped flowers of pure white, tinged with delicate rose, and profusely flamed and edged with carmine-red.....	15
Eleanora —Light, slightly streaked with carmine.....	15
Eldorado —Clear yellow, the lower petals streaked with red.....	15
Elegans —Light cherry, tinged brilliant orange, large white blotch.....	15
Elizabeth —Dark rose, flamed bright carmine-purple, large purple carmine blotch, with white stripes.....	10
Elvire —Pure white, flamed carmine, very delicate.....	15
Emilie —White, suffused with rose, dark brown blotch.....	15
Emma Thursby —White ground, carmine stripes through petals, blotch on lower division.....	15
Enchanteresse —Beautiful dense spike of well-opened, very large flower, of a satiny pale lilac-white, streaked violet-red on one or two sepals; tall variety.....	1.00
Esmeralda —Fine large flowers, well expanded, of a bright and striking color, ground ivory-white, striped and flaked carmine-red, lemon colored blotch.....	15
Etendard —White, slightly suffused with carmine.....	15
Eugene Ramey —Flowers large, purplish-amaranth, with a sheen of ivory-lilac; edges slightly mottled with slate.....	10
Eugene Scribe —Flowers very large and wide, perfect, tender rose, blazed carmine-red, extra fine.....	20
Epictetus —Purple veined with crimson.....	10
Eugene Souchet —Bright rose color, relieved by a large white blotch and stripes, rising from the intense color at the edge of the petals.....	25
Eurydice —Pure white, shading off to bright carmine.....	15
Eve —White, slightly tinged with rose and pale lilac.....	15
Fatima —Very large flowers of ivory-white ground, profusely striped and suffused with bright rosy-salmon; violet blotch.....	15
Felicien David —Cherry light carmine feathered white blotch.....	10
Feu Follet —Well-opened flowers, with ivory-white throat, richly tinted and striped with carmine at the edges of the sepals.....	25

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Figaro—Light orange-red, flamed red; large pure white blotch. 15

Filledees Champs—Dense spike, flowers rather small, of a pretty cherry rose color, darker and slightly striped at the edges; the three lower petals pure white, except a narrow margin of the rose color same as in the upper petals. 40

Flamboyant—Large flowers of fiery scarlet. 20

Flamingo—Fiery red, blotch of rich purple; large spike of well-arranged flowers. 30

Flavia—Bright red. 10

Fleur de Lys—Fine compact spike of large, pure-white flowers, slightly blotched at the bottom of the throat. 40

Flora—Large flower; white ground, shaded with very long spike and distinct strain of rose color; very long spike. 25

Fra Diavolo—Long, compact spike of large, bright orange-red flowers flushed violet-red at the edges of the sepals; large pale yellow blotch. 30

Floriant—Cherry-rose; large violet blotch; center of the petals streaked white. 15

Fulton—Velvety vermilion. 10

Galathea—Bluish-white, with carmine blotch. 10

Gaitha—Very long spike of large and handsome rosy-white flowers, flushed bright carmine at the edges. 40

Ganymede—Compact and tall spikes of rosy-carmine flowers with amaranth sheen. 20

Gen. Phil. Sheridan—Fire-red, white line running through each petal, and a large pure white blotch on the lower division. 10

Gen. Sherman—Large, fine scarlet. 15

Gigantea—Very tall spike of well-opened flowers of a fine rose color shading off to cherry; upper petals transparent rose; blotch dark carmine; veined white all over. 40

Ginevra—Beautiful cherry rose color, flushed red; center line of petals pure white; small, purplish-carmine blotch. 15

Glorie de Fontainebleau—Large flowers of bright rosy-carmine, striped red at the edges, white band in middle of sepal. 20

Glory of Brighton—Scarlet, with lemon throat. 25

Goliath—Scarlet, self color. 15

Golden Scepter—Large, fine scarlet. 10

Gordon Faxon—Long spike of well-shaped flowers of rosy-carmine, edged bright carmine, lower petals of the same color, with a small blotch of dark rose, edge white, banded and streaked white. 15

Grand Lilas—Large and perfectly arranged flowers of a beautiful delicate lilac, shaded dark towards the edges. 20

Grand Rouleau—Large flowers of bright scarlet, small violet blotch. 30

Greuze—Intense cherry, flamed with lake; white blotch. 15

Gulliver—Large, bright-carmine flowers, with conspicuous white bands in the middle of each petal; pale yellow blotch slightly streaked violet. 15

Hecla—Fiery orange-scarlet, center is pure white, feathered carmine; middle-sized flowers. 40

Henrietta—Light rose, flamed with carmine. 15

Hermione—White ground, well covered with delicate lilac and carmine stripes, large white blotch, slightly streaked violet. 20

Hermiona—Light rose, flamed with carmine. 25

Hesperide—Profusely blotched and flaked bright rosy-salmon on a pure white ground. 25

Hogarth—White, flaked lilac. 15

Homer—Light amaranth, flamed with bright purple. 15

Hortense—Rich scarlet, large and pure white blotch, feathered red. 15

Hortense—Rose, white ground, flamed carmine. 25

Imperatrice—White, striped and dashed with carmine. 10

Imperatrice Eugenie—White ground flamed with violet rose; reflex of petals lilac. 15

Isaac Buchanan—Very fine yellow. Per doz., 50c. 05

Isabella—Pure white, with large, dark carmine-violet blotch. 15

James Carter—Light orange-red; large pure white blotch. 10

James Kelway—Crimson, edged with maroon, with a white line on each petal; a white spot and a violet stripe on the lower division; a brilliant flower of color. 25

James Watt—Light vermilion; pure white blotch; feathered delicate rose. 20

Jeanne D'Arc—White, slightly tinged with rose, streaked and blotched carmine purple. 10

Jeanette—Large, bright-rose flowers richly striped and blotched with white; carmine. 10

Jeconda—Cherry-rose, fringed cerise, streaked white; clear throat. 15

John Bull—White, slightly tinged with sulphur. 10

Julia—Light ground, flamed with carmine. 15

Jupiter—Light rose, flamed red, with a dark crimson. 10

La Andeure—White, lightly striped with carmine-violet. 15

Lacede—Rose, tinged with cherry and violet. 15

Lady Carrington—Pale lilac, streaked carmine; pure white center. 40

Lady Bridport—Blush, flaked carmine. 15

La Favorite—Rose, flamed red, lower petals yellow. 15

La France—Pure white, with large, dark carmine-violet blotch. 30

La France—Pure white flowers, are slightly flamed with carmine towards the edges; large amaranth blotch passing to pure white. 15

Lamarek (de)—Cherry, slightly tinted with orange, blazed with red, center is very well lighted, very large, pure-white stain. 15

Laperle—Large flowers, admirably arranged, pure lilac, blotched with violet-carmine on the lower petals. 20

La Quintinie—Bright orange-salmon. 10

Lassia—Scarlet crimson, with a violet stripe on the lower divisions; noble spike; magnificence; perfection. 15

Latone—Tall and very compact spike; fine flowers of a delicate rose, with creamy-white blotch and stripes. 10

Laura—Light orange-red, tinged with carmine, pure white blotch. 10

Leander—Large flower of lilac color, beautifully shading off to carmine; distinct white band in each petal, and conspicuous white blotch. 20

Leonica—Bright cherry-red. 15

Le Poussin—Light red; white blotch. 15

Lesseps (de)—Clear white ground, profusely striped and bordered carmine, fine spike, large, well-expanded flowers, presenting a very striking color of color. 50

Letinter—Cherry-rose, flamed with carmine, carmine blotch on a yellow-tinted ground. 10

Le Vesuve—Intense fiery red; very rich. 25

Leviathan—Very tall spike of enormously large flowers, of a delicate bright rose, shading off to dark striped carmine, amaranth blotch. 40

Little Charlie—Deep rosy-crimson, with large white blotches, fine form, rare beauty. 25

Livingstone—Purple-carmine, the center lighter, and shading off to violet with a metallic lustre. 10

Lord Burleigh—White ground, flamed with bright purple. 20

Lord Byron—Brilliant scarlet, blotched pure white. 10

Lord Granville—Straw color; deep yellow blotch, feathered red. 20

Lord Raglan—Salmon rose, mottled scarlet, very distinct blotch of vermilion. 15

Loredan—Bright cherry-rose flowers, speckled with creamy-white, and slightly shaded with carmine color at the edges of the petals. 20

Lull-Brigit—Cherry, tinged orange, lower petals streaked carmine. 25

Lydia—White ground, striped and flaked carmine, rich carmine blotch on golden-yellow ground. 20

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MacMahon—Orange, colored cherry-rose; striped red. 10

Madame Auber—Compact spike of extra-large and well-shaped flowers of a very pale rosy-lilac; blotch creamy-white, dappled light rose on some of the flowers. 1 00

Madame Busseville—Cherry; purple blotch on white ground; white line in the middle of each petal. 25

Madame de Vetry—French white; purplish carmine blotch. 10

Madame Furtado—Fine rose, shading off to rosy-white, flamed ruby. 15

Madame Lesebie—Pure white; large purplish rose blotch. 10

Madame Moneret—Delicate rose. Per dozen, 50c. 05

Madame Rabourdin—Rose; flamed carmine; thin white line in the center of each petal. 25

Madame Vilmorin—Rose; white in the center; shaded darker on the edges; white blotch feathered carmine. 25

Madame Binder—Nearly white; shaded with carmine. 20

Magnificus—Tall variety, with handsome spike of large flowers, round and open; cinabar-red; fine white blotch; edged with violet. 1 00

Marchal Vaillant—Brilliant scarlet, large, pure white blotch. 35

Margarita—White ground; suffused with bright carmine. 15

Marin Dumorlier—White, slightly streaked rose; violet-purple blotch. 05

Marica—White shaded lilac, flaked purple. 30

Maria—Pure white, with deep carmine blotch. 10

Marie Berger—Rosy-lilac; blotched and striped with red, shading into yellow-rose towards the center, dense spike well-opened flowers. 50

Mars—Beautiful scarlet. 05

Maria—White; flamed carmine-rose; large carmine blotch. 10

Martha Washington—Light yellow, of large size, in a well-arranged spike; lower petals tinged with rose. 15

Mary Stuart—White, very slightly tinged with rose, and flamed bright carmine-cherry. 50

Mascart—Compact and regular spike of middle-sized flowers, very open and well-shaped, of a beautiful salmon rose color. 75

Matador—Fine spike, with splendid flowers of brilliant carmine-red; striped and blotched pure white. 15

Mazepa—Orange; light blotch. 10

Mathilde—Delicate rose, large, slightly tinted with flesh-colored rose; streaked with carmine. 15

Medicis—Bright cherry-rose; large rounded petals; streaked white and flushed carmine at the edges. 75

Mehul—Crimson-red; striped and flamed white. 30

Mercutio—Fiery cherry, slightly tinged with violet, edged and flamed with dark carmine. 25

Meteor—Brilliant dark red; large pure white blotch. 15

Meyerbeer—Brilliant scarlet, flamed with vermilion; amaranth-red blotch. 20

Milton—Cherry-rose; large, with regular spike of large flowers. 25

Mines—Long spike of flowers furnished with very large salmon-rose flowers profusely flushed and blotched with cherry-red. 10

Mlle. Marie Mies—Delicate rose, flamed with carmine, slight blotch of rosy-purple; dense spike. 50

Molere—Cherry-rose; large, pure white blotch. 10

Montaigne—Intensely yellow scarlet. 15

Mont Blanc—Immense pyramidal spike, profusely furnished with very large flowers, creamy white at first, soon becoming snowy-white, with the exception of a small violet blotch. 2 00

Mount Etana—Long spike, of well-arranged flowers, most brilliant velvety-scarlet, slightly streaked with deeper scarlet at the edges; white band in the center of the upper petals. 35

Mozart—Bright rose; slightly tinted with violet; flamed with dark carmine, large, pure-white blotch. 15

Multiflora—White, tinged lilac and flamed rosy-carmine; a novelty. 15

Murillo—Fine cherry-rose, of a light ground; white blotch, with a white stripe down each petal. 25

M. Domage—Pink. 10

M. Lebrun d'Albane—Brilliant red, white blotch. 10

M. Legouve—Pure white, white line down the middle of the upper petals; large white blotch. 15

Mr. Bains—A wonderful distinct color, a clear light red, self color. 25

Mr. Groves—Mauve, veined with purple. 25

Mr. Krelage—Terra cotta red, flamed with smoke-color; white blotch with carmine lining. 25

Mr. Thornton—Purple-crimson, veined with white. 20

Mrs. E. H. Krelage—Fiery-red, white blotch, with carmine, and veins. 25

Mrs. R. H. Rathbun—Peach blossom pink ground, strongly marked with rose and crimson, clear white throat, extra fine. 35

Napoleon III—Bright scarlet, white line in each petal. Per doz., 50c. 05

Nels—White, flamed carmine-rose; a large blotch, a large carmine blotch.

Neige et Feu—Dwarf; long and dense spike of middle-sized flowers, bright cherry-red, slightly flushed with violet, veined white the lower petals with a very large ivory-white, well-defined blotch, the contrast being very striking. 50

Nemesis—Dark crimson on white ground, a new shade. 10

Nereide—Long and compact spike of large flowers of mother-of-pearl-rose, suffused with lilac; blotched bright violet. A grand good flower. 75

Nestor—Light yellow, the lower petals darker, striped with red. 30

New York—Dark crimson on white ground, a new shade. 25

Niobe—Pale glossy rose, flamed profusely with rosy carmine. 15

Noemi—Light rosy lilac. 15

Nymph de Fontainebleau—Pure white; basis of throat white, slightly suffused with amaranth. 1 50

Octoroon—A beautiful salmon-pink; very distinct. 10

Ondine—White, tinted with lilac; small, dark violet blotch, slightly flamed with lilac-carmine. 35

Opale—Large flowers of extremely delicate rose. 20

Ophir—Dark yellow, purple blotch. 15

Orpheus—Very large flowers, of a light ground; white blotch, a large blotch. 10

Orpheus—Rosy cherry, flamed carmine; purple blotch. 15

Oriflamme—Erect, dense spike of very numerous, large, rosy-orange flowers, a little paler in the center; lower petals very slightly tinged golden yellow and streaked carmine. 50

Oscar—Cherry. 10

Othello—Light orange-red. 10

Ovide—Splendid spike of carmine-red flowers with a lilac sheen, flamed toward the edges with garnet-red; pure white blotch. 15

Pactole—Beautiful yellow, slightly tinged with rose at the edges, blotch of dark carmine. 10

Panorama—Large spike of well-arranged flowers; beautiful lilac shaded and mottled with brilliant carmine; throat creamy-white; center of each petal banded white. 15

Papillon—A compact, well-formed spike, with flowers of a yellow ground, conspicuously flaked and bordered with carmine. 15

Parmentier—Clear amaranth-colored flowers, flamed carmine and tinged with lilac; pure white bands, carmine feather. 20

Penelope—Bush white; lower petals tinted yellow streaked carmine. 10

Peppita—Bright golden yellow flowers, slightly striped carmine at the edges of the petals, towards the end of the flowering season. 15

Pericles—Light rose, flamed with carmine-purple, large, pure white blotch. 10

Pesquin—Brilliant scarlet, shaded fiery-red and striped lilac-white; edges of petals suffused with slate color. 20

Phebus—Brilliant red; large, pure white blotch. 20

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Phedre —Pure white, flamed with cherry-rose.....	10
Pheraon —Large, chiselled flowers, edged with violet; center band of petals white, expanding to a blotch at the base.....	35
Phidias —Very brilliant purple ground, slightly tinted with violet; large, pure white blotch, feathered with carmine-cherry.....	10
Pleciola —Fine satin-rose pink, flamed with bright carmine; large, pure white blotch.....	20
Plocum —Salmon-scarlet, flaked crimson; a grand flower.....	15
Pillmenis —Rosy-pink, with light throat.....	15
Pilne —Rose, self color.....	15
Pomone —Dwarf habit, early flowering, fine dense spike; flowers largely blotched and striped amaranth-red.....	35
Primatee —Fine rose, slightly tinged with lilac, flamed with bright carmine, carmine blotch.....	10
Prince of Wales —Very bright red; violet-feathered white blotch.....	50
Princess Clotilde —Pale salmon-rose; large purple blotch.....	20
Princess Frederick William —Streaked flesh color.....	20
Princess Mary —Pure white, carmine-violet blotch.....	30
Princess Mathilde —Beautiful delicate rose, streaked carmine, large carmine blotch.....	20
Princess of Wales —White, flamed with carmine-rose; deep carmine blotch.....	10
Proserpine —Rosy-white.....	15
Psyche —Delicate satin-rose, bordered and flamed with dark carmine; well-lighted center.....	15
Pygmalion —Cherry-red, slightly flamed with a darker shade; pure white blotch, feathered violet; each petal has a white band in the middle.....	15
Pyramide —Large, white blotch at the lower part than at the top; large, well-expanded orange-rose.....	20
Rayon d'Or —Fine spike of delicate creamy-yellow flowers, striped and flaked deep rosy-purple; blotch of rich purple passing to orange.....	20
Regina —White, very slightly suffused with pale lilac.....	25
Reine Victoria —Pure white, carmine-violet blotch.....	10
Reine Blanche —Pure white, dark carmine blotch.....	15
Rembrandt —Deep red.....	20
Reverend Berkeley —Light rose and tinged with violet-carmine; feathered white blotch.....	15
Richard —Coeur-de-Lion—Fine spike of large flowers of a bright crimson red, edged with yellow, bordered with garnet, lower petals spotted and blotched golden yellow.....	30
Robert Fortune —Orange-lake, shading off to purple-crimson, veined white.....	10
Roi Leopold —Blush-rose, slightly suffused with orange and shaded deep carmine; white blotch.....	10
Romulus —Very brilliant dark red; large, pure white blotch; large white lines on the lower petals.....	10
Rosa Bonheur —White, slightly tinged with lilac and flamed with carmine-violet blotch.....	25
Rosea Perfecta —Fine rose, tinged violet, center very light, white veins on all petals.....	10
Rosita —Delicate satiny creamy-rose, blotched and marbled cherry-carmine.....	15
Rosini —Dark amaranth-red; streaked and blotched white.....	25
Sapho —Cherry, slightly tinged with orange; large, pure-white blotch, feathered with bright red.....	15
Sceptre de Flore —Spike very erect, compact and long, often accompanied by two lateral spikes; flowers large, with white throat, having in the center a carmine-red star; the shade of the petals brightens to the richest rose color at the circumference of the petals, spotted with carmine; lower petals slightly blotched with carmine and a pure white band.....	50
Schiller —Sulphur, with a large carmine blotch.....	15
Seduction —Rosy-salmon, very bright and open, throat very clear, with large white blotch, and is feathered carmine.....	15
Semiramis —Carmine-rose, on white ground; flamed with bright carmine.....	15
Shakespeare —White; very slightly suffused with carmine-rose; large, rosy blotch.....	15
Sirene —Delicate rose, tinged orange, flamed red.....	15
Sir William Hooker —Light cherry, rosy-carmine blotch.....	15
Snow White —All that need be said about this grand novelty is, that it is absolutely pure snow-white, the only pure white Gladiolus in existence. It also has large, well-open flowers, and an enormous spike of the most perfect and beautiful shape.....	30
Stanley —Handsome spike of well-shaped flowers, very open, large, rosy-salmon, flamed all over with the deepest rose color; small, rosy yellow blotch.....	25
Stella —White, tinted yellow-rose, flamed carmine.....	05
Stuart Low —Violet-rose, flamed with deeper rose, carmine blotch.....	15
Sulphureus —Sulphur-colored.....	15
Sultana —Bright satin-rose, flamed with carmine, purple-carmine blotch.....	15
Sylvie —White, slightly edged with delicate cherry-rose, throat very clear, perfectly-shaped flowers.....	15
Talisman —Fine violet, with a large margin of bright carmine-cherry, veined pure white.....	40
Talma —Rosy-carmine flowers, flamed with bright carmine, and striped scarlet and pale violet, blotch amaranth-red.....	25
Tamerlan —Remarkably colored flowers, upper petals garnet-red, suffused with slate color at the edges, the under petals dark carmine yellow.....	40
Teresita —Upper petals of pure white, suffused with rose and striped carmine at the edges, lower petals pale rose, largely blotched and striped with bright violet.....	15
Thalia —White, flamed and streaked with carmine.....	10
Themis —Fine spike of delicate satiny-rose-colored flowers, conspicuously flushed with carmine, cream-colored blotch.....	15
The Odalisque —Rosy-pink, flamed with carmine, white throat.....	25
Therese de Harcourt —Tall spike, flowers of a creamy white, passing into pure white, with a few purplish-rose stripes in center.....	40
Thomas Methven —Violet, tinged with rose, center light transparent, shading off to carmine violet.....	15
Thunberg —Light orange, shaded cherry, blotch pure white.....	10
Titania —Beautiful tall spike, extra large flowers of creamy-salmon, flamed cherry.....	15
Topaze —Very large flower, pale yellow, slightly flamed with carmine-violet towards the edges, yellow sulphur blotch carmine feather.....	50
Tour du Monde —Flowers cherry red darker towards the edges, white blotches, edged rosy-lilac.....	15
Trojan —Massive white center, rose markings.....	25
Ulysses —Satin-rose, beautiful shade.....	20
Una —Scarlet, white center, white line.....	25
Van Dyck —Crimson amaranth striped with white.....	15
Van Spandonk —Fiery red, splendid.....	15
Verdalis —White, flamed lilac.....	25
Venus —Pure white, flamed with light carmine-rose.....	15
Vesta —Pure white, with purplish-carmine blotch.....	15
Victor Jacquemont —Fine compact spike of bright orange flowers profusely flamed with scarlet, ground violet; blotch bright violet streaked and speckled pure white.....	15
Virgil —Bright glowing crimson, very handsome.....	15
Virginales —Pure white, bordered and flamed with carmine.....	15

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Vulcan —Velvety scarlet-purple, shaded violet-purple.....	15
Zampa —Fine, open flowers, which are often double, beautiful tender rose, mottled at the edges with carmine, purplish-carmine feather.....	10
Zenobia —Rose, slightly tinted with violet, flamed dark carmine.....	15

One Bulb Each of the 367 sorts, \$35.00.

OUR NEW GLADIOLUS.

The following are all sorts of our production. They are magnificent.

U. S. Grant —This superb new variety is the largest flowering Gladiolus yet sent out; the enormous spikes run two feet and upwards in length, and are of firm, lasting substance, the color is quite distinct, ivory-white beautifully veined with purplish-blue.....	\$1.50
Cyrus —Large flower, white, marked and variegated with light violet.....	1.00
Sunset —Beautiful spike, good-sized, cup-shaped flower, rosy-crimson blotched darker. Fine satiny blush inside.....	50
Canary Bird —Superb canary yellow.....	50
The Blonde —Lovely rosy pink, light center, small carmine stripe, a very soft pleasing color.....	1.00
Red Cloud —Salmon-pink flamed with carmine, lighter center, outer portions of petals have a frosted look.....	1.00
Augusta —Pure white with blue anthers.....	50
Grover Cleveland —Very tall spike, good sized flower, which varies in color from bright orange-red to bluish-gray, marked and blotched with amaranth and smoky-red.....	1.00

The 8 sorts for \$5.00.

GLADIOLI HYBRIDUS NANCEIANUS.

A new strain or class, having large and beautifully marked blossoms. Were it not for the fact that their growth is exceedingly weak and slender, they would be very valuable. As it is they are inferior to Gladiolus Childs in every particular. We can supply about 15 named sorts at \$1.00 each.

RARE HARDY GLADIOLUS.

The following are two very rare and beautiful Gladiolus, which are perfectly hardy. We have a large stock of both, and offer them remarkably low. They may be left in the ground over winter, or lifted like other sorts, as may be desired.

Saunderson —Very large, rosy scarlet, thickly spotted with white on lower petals. Beautiful and unique. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.
Dracocephalus —A very odd and curious color, being a bronzy yellow, shaded with green. It is very odd, curious and beautiful. 10c. each, 3 for 25c.



Our Superb Seedlings.

These are extra fine, possessing the greatest possible range of colors—no two alike—some of which are as fine as the highest priced named sorts. Elegant for masses. Per dozen 50c., 100 for \$3.00, 500 for \$13.50, 1000 for \$25.00.

Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrid Gladiolus

The odd and fantastic markings of these Gladiolus, and their beautiful shape, resemble the fascinating beauty of that rarer of all flowers, the Orchid. Yellow, crimson, white, brown, green, pink, etc., are blended together, producing an effect seen in no other flower. They are of recent introduction, therefore new and quite unknown. It is useless to attempt to describe their real beauty, for it cannot be done. They must be seen. Besides their gay colors and odd markings, they have two very important points of superiority over other sorts. First, they bloom two to three weeks earlier, and are in full perfection before others appear; and secondly, they are hardy, and may be left in the ground over winter, from year to year, without lifting in Autumn, yet we do not advise this plan, as we think it better to lift them in the Fall and store them in the cellar, that they may be planted out in fresh mellow soil in Spring. They do well either way.

Atlas—Clear violet, large velvety maroon blotch.
Admiral Pierre—Large flowers, round, very open; dark carmine red, lower divisions clouded with purplish maroon, surrounded with light yellow.

Bassegault—Rose, blotched fine purple.
Bassuet—Large, brilliant vermilion.
Cleopatra—Red, carmine blotches, tipped with yellow.
Chas. Martel—Rosy blush, intense large carmine blotch, bordered yellow.

C. Columbus—Orange salmon, blotched dark purple, the extremities of these blotches spotted with gold.

C. Heneman—English red, lower petals bright crimson, edges velvety gold colored.

Enfant de Nancy—Purplish red, lower petals deep crimson color and blotching entirely new.

Engesseri—Very deep pink, blotched fine maroon.

Emilie Lemoine—Bright vermilion, dotted gold and maroon.

Robert—Flesh colored, streaked with pink, carmine blotch, bordered yellow
Incendyary—Fiery red, large blotch of crimson red on lower petal, small gold markings.

Lafayette—Very large, yellowish salmon, large crimson blotches.

Lamartine—Rosy flesh, with large, bright maroon blotch.

Masque de Fer—Broxy red, blotched black, striped yellow.

Obelisk—Rich solferino, deep crimson blotch, tipped with yellow.

Rochambeau—Large, salmon, blotched purple.

W. E. Gumbleton—Flowers very large and open; purplish rose, streaked with rich carmine; spots velvety, surrounded with yellow.

Yacht—Creamy white, blotched carmine.

L'Abbe Gregorrie—Violet rose; blotches violet, surrounded with dark yellow.

La France—Light salmon; velvety purple, blotched on yellow ground.

Lemoinii—Fine, good sized flowers, closely set on the spike, which is about one foot long; upper petals of a creamy white color, tinted salmon red, the lower ones spotted with deep purplish crimson, bordered with bright yellow.

Mme. Lemoine—White, tinged salmon; large violet and maroon blotches

Marie Lemoine—Long spike of fine, well-expanded flowers; upper divisions of a pale creamy color, flushed salmon lilac, the lower divisions spotted

purplish violet, bordered deep yellow.

Creole—Spikes and flowers of unusually fine form; color rosy blush, flamed and shaded with carmine; deep crimson blotch.

Price of above sorts, 10c. each; 3 for 25c; 7 for 50c; 15 for \$1.00, the 25 for \$1.75.

100 OTHER RARE SORTS.

Besides the above, we have 100 other new and rare sorts, which we will sell one bulb of each for \$25.

MAGNIFICENT SEEDLINGS AND MIXTURE.

Our mixture of named sorts and seedlings of Lemoine's Hybrid Gladiolus are particularly fine. All the stock has been carefully selected and the range of color and beauty of bloom will be quite as fine as the named sorts. If you want a great and grand show at small cost, plant this mixture.

Finest named sorts and seedlings, mixed, a great range of color, no two alike, 5c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c., 25 for \$1.; 100 for \$3.00.

SEEDS.—We can furnish fine mixed seed of Lemoine's Hybrid Gladioli at 10c. per pkt. It blooms second year.





Tuberose.

The Tuberose is one of the choicest of flowers. They produce long spikes of pure white, wax-like double flowers, of great fragrance and beauty. By many their fragrance is considered to be the finest of all flowers, and surely no flower has a purer wax-like appearance. The bulbs we offer are very large and fine and will bloom profusely the coming season. At all the great shows where our Tuberose have been exhibited, they have never failed to take first prize over all competitors; the general excellence of our Excelsior Pearls being ahead of all others. Tuberose culture is a special feature of our business, as we grow several acres of them, and those who purchase bulbs from us can be sure they are getting the best quality in the world, direct from headquarters. Bulbs can be planted from April to June in pots or the open ground. Plant three inches deep in good rich soil and do not allow them to be overrun with weeds or other plants if you desire them to bloom early.

- Common Double, fine for garden culture, 3 for 15c.; 50c. per dozen. Each. 5
- Excelsior Pearl, short stalks, long spikes, large flowers, full, double and sweet; large flowering bulbs, 3 for 15c.; 50c. per dozen; \$3 per 100. 5
- Excelsior Pearl, select bulbs of enormous size; 3 for 25c.; \$1 per dozen; \$6 per 100. 10
- New Variegated, the leaves of this variety are bordered with creamy white; flowers single, but very large and of exquisite fragrance. Bulbs continue to grow and bloom year after year. It makes a most magnificent plant. It blooms several weeks earlier than the other sorts, which greatly adds to its value. \$1 per dozen. 10
- Single Orange Scented, a fine sort, bearing very early in the season large spikes of beautiful Single Orange-like Blossoms. Very fragrant. Per dozen, \$1. 10

ONE BULB EACH OF ABOVE FOUR SORTS, 25 CENTS.



Zephyranthes.

The Zephyr flowers, or Fairy Lilies, are gems of rare beauty; and when planted either in pots or the open ground they produce very beautiful lily-like flowers nearly all summer. Though some of the varieties are old, they are not generally known or often seen in cultivation, owing to the fact that they have never been properly and thoroughly introduced. When once grown they are always grown, for they are one of the prettiest and easiest grown flowers it is possible to have. They are of a lovely section of the great and popular Amaryllis family. For pot culture, plant three or four in a 5 or 6-inch pot and they will bloom beautifully. For the garden, plant in spring and lift them in the fall, like Gladiolus. We offer here, for the first time, several new sorts of great beauty, which makes a collection of six superb kinds. Those who plant them, either in pots or the open ground, will be delighted with them.

Rosea—Beautiful clear rose; flowers large and very handsome. One of the oldest and best; blooms all summer. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 70c.

Sulphurea—True giant flowers. This produces flowers as large as a large Amaryllis, and on stems 15 to 24 inches in height. Color: a clear, brilliant sulphur-yellow. One of the clearest and finest shades we ever saw. The shape of the flower is perfection itself. It is one of the choicest gems in the bulb line, and all who plant it will be delighted. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Atamasco—This is, in all respects, much like Rosea, except its color, which is pure white. Flowers large and very beautiful. A cheap but magnificent sort. 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 12 for 35c.

Floribunda—A new sort; and, unlike all others, it bears its flowers usually in pairs, two on one stem, as shown in the cut. It is very beautiful being of a rich golden-yellow, and exceedingly sweet scented, its perfume being unlike any other flower we ever saw. It is one of the very finest bulb novelties. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Andersoni—A little beauty, its flowers being smaller than the others; beautiful tulip-shaped, and orange-yellow in color. A free bloomer. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Candida—Pure white, and the freest bloomer of all, though not so large. It is also the oldest and best known sort. 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 12 for 35c.

SPECIAL OFFER—We take much pleasure in offering one fine bulb each of these six lovely Zephyr flowers for only 40c.; 3 of each, \$1.00.





Mexican Gems.

There has been nothing introduced during the past twenty years which is more worthy of popular esteem than these three gems from Mexico. And indeed they are appreciated wherever they have been grown or seen, being admired to an extent which but few other new flowers could rival. They are flowers which everyone loves at sight, and as they are now so very cheap, we hope each and every one of our customers will plant a few at least. Take them on our recommendation, for we are willing to stake our reputation on them, knowing that every one who can be induced to plant them is sure to be greatly blessed. They are of the easiest culture and sure to succeed, treated in all respects like a Gladiolus. Plant the bulbs in the spring and lift them in the fall and store them in a dry cellar over winter. For pots they are as charming as they are for the garden. A six or seven-inch pot is large enough for two or three bulbs of each kind, and when growing and blooming together they present a truly beautiful sight—so odd and lovely and unlike anything else. We have an enormous stock of these bulbs, all home grown.

Bessera Elegans, foliage long and round, flower stems one to two feet high bearing a cluster of lovely drooping flow-

ers, which are one inch in diameter, nine scarlet, with a white band through each petal. A truly charming flower in all respects and sure to please all who plant it. Fine bulbs, 10c. each, 3 for 25c., 12 for 70c.

Cyclobothra Flava, this produces six petaled, bell-shaped blossoms, yellow, spotted with brown. Its foliage is narrow and grass-like, and it is a free and constant bloomer. To plant in connection with Bessera and Milla it is superb. 10c. each, 3 for 20c., 12 for 70c.

Milla Biflora. The flowers are pure waxy white, two inches in diameter, of a star-shape, and borne usually in pairs on long, slender stems. It is very beautiful, especially in cutting, as it lasts a long time in water. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon this lovely flower. It pleases every one and should be grown very largely. When grown in connection with Bessera Elegans and Cyclobothra Flava the effect is most beautiful. This charming flower has been exceedingly popular as a cut flower for florists' use, and the demand for the blossoms is great. Fine bulbs, 10c. each, 3 for 20c., 12 for 70c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—That these gems may be largely planted, we make the following special low prices for the collection of these kinds: For 20c. we will send one fine bulb each of the three. For 50c. we will send three fine bulbs each of the three sorts.



AMARYLLIS AULICA.

Amaryllis.

The Amaryllis is one of the noblest and grandest family of flowering bulbs. Though they are of very easy culture, the process of increasing them is so slow that many of the best kinds are quite expensive. A few should, however, be found among every good collection of plants, as they live to a great age, and are sure to thrive well with ordinary culture. They can be kept in pots the year round, or planted in the open ground during summer, as may be desired. Our mode of culture is to plant them in the open ground during June, after they are done blooming inside. Here they will make a very strong growth, and often bloom some before September, at which time they are again potted and carried in for winter and spring blooming. Amaryllis always gives great satisfaction, for their flowers are truly grand.

Each.

- Aulica Platypetala**, of immense size, with very broad spreading petals, which are sharply pointed and highly colored; rich, deep blood crimson. The flowers are enormous and grand beyond conception. Bulbs of gigantic size..... \$1 00
 - Aulica Platypetala**, good flowering bulbs..... 50
 - Empress of India**, until very recently this grand variety has been selling at very extravagant prices—from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per bulb. The flower is of magnificent size and wide open form, often showing an extra petal. The general color is a deep scarlet, banded with orange, shading to white. Extra fine..... 2 00
 - Hamiltoni**, very rare and fine, and a perpetual bloomer, as it blooms at all times of the year. Its color varies from scarlet striped with white to white striped with scarlet, and has a fine fragrance. One of the most valuable sorts we know..... 1 50
 - Longiflora**, fine, with clusters of fine, trumpet-like white or pink flowers. Very sweet..... 50
 - Gigantea** (Josephinea), a variety of gigantic size..... 7 00
 - J. L. Childs**, flowers very large, outside of petals grayish white, inside bright clear pink, striped and suffused with pure white. A very free bloomer, and flowers of the most perfect form, and continue a long time in bloom..... 2 00
 - Johnsonii**, crimson, striped white; magnificent old sort. 50
 - Oriflamme**, new: white, with large salmon-red bands. Large, well opened flower of splendid shape..... 2 50
 - Regina**, a variety of great importance, as it surpasses all others as a winter bloomer. Flowers of a good size, beautiful shape, well open, and of a bright orange scarlet color, with a light center.... 40
 - Psittaculum**, broad, well-opened flowers of great substance. Dull red, with white and green stripes; flowers of perfect form and great beauty..... 2 00
 - Mixed Colors**, of the above finest named sorts, among which are many of the rarest and finest. Large bulbs, three for \$1.00..... 40
- For a more complete list of Amaryllis, with descriptions, see our book "Popular Bulbs and their Culture."



Tigridias.

There has been great improvement in this flower during the past few years. Not only have the yellow and crimson ones been greatly improved in color and size, but we now have to offer a grand new white variety, which is the finest novelty sent from Europe in several years. The Tigridia should be planted in the open ground in May. They commence blooming early in July, and produce an abundance of gorgeous flowers till October. Late in autumn the bulbs should be lifted, dried, and stored in the cellar like Gladiolus. They are one of the easiest plants in the world to cultivate; always sure to bloom abundantly in any situation, and the large, showy flowers are sure to attract and please. Each.

- Conchiflora**, fine yellow, spotted crimson. 12 for 50c... 5
- Grandiflora**, very large, bright crimson, center variegated with yellow. 12 for \$1.00..... 10
- Grandiflora Alba**, new; flowers very large, of pure ivory whiteness, spotted with crimson. First offered in this country by us in 1883, and has proved to be the grandest novelty in summer-flowering bulbs which has been offered in several years. Few flowers on our grounds have been so greatly admired. 12 for \$1. 10

For 20 cents we will send one bulb each of the three sorts.



ALOCASIA.

Alocasia.

This rare and beautiful plant is closely allied to the Caladium, and is grand either for the garden or pot culture. **Illustris**, leaves are large, of a deep, lively green, marbled and blotched with black, making it a foliage plant of rare beauty and novelty... 25

- Maculata**, elegant light green foliage; very handsome. 20
- Macrorrhiza**, large, dark green foliage..... 20

One each, of the three sorts, 50 cents.



CRINUM ORNATUM.

Two Grand Crinums.

Crinum Ornatum—Probably no plant possessing so much grandeur as this, is so little known. This is due to its great scarcity and high price, it being only recently that a bulb of it could be bought for less than \$25.00; and a very few could be found even at that. It is the king of the Amaryllis tribe; and we all know that that means a pretty fine thing. It produces a large round bulb, which grows to weigh as much as ten pounds. It rests in winter, and grows and blooms in spring and summer. It can be treated as a pot plant, or grown in the garden as a summer flowering bulb. It is of the easiest culture and sure to succeed with anyone. Its flowers are clusters, and, like a most beautiful lily, borne in enormous clusters at the top of stout scapes. Color soft, delicate bluish, with a pink bar through the center of each petal, and very sweet scented. Whoever possesses Crinum Ornatum has a treasure. Fine flowering bulbs, 75c. each.

Crinum Americanum—Its large white, exquisitely fragrant, lily-like flowers are produced in an umbel, and borne on a tall scape. A striking plant, and far more beautiful than many of the high-priced Amaryllis, and in cultivation blooms several times a year. It can be kept growing and blooming (at intervals) the year round. 50c. each; 3 for \$1.



Phaedranassa Gloriosa

A fine species of the Amaryllis family, bearing clusters of pendulous flowers, which are very curiously and beautifully colored. Each flower shows several colors, green, orange, scarlet, etc. It is a rare bulb, and one which will be greatly admired by all who see it in bloom. 25c. each.



Amorphophallus.

Simiense (Suromatum)—Flower much the shape of a Calla; but the top is drawn to a long, tapering point, and is of great size and beauty. Color green outside, while the inside is yellow, thickly spotted with reddish-purple. Native of India and Africa. \$1.00 each.

Amorphophallus Rivieri—Another species having a flower the shape of a Calla Lily, but of enormous proportions. Stems and stalks green, spotted rose; leaves decomposed, and often four feet across. Flowers usually a yard in length, the projecting spadix being dark red, and the spathe rosy-green. 50c. each.

Campanulatus—Planted in the spring, either in tubs or the open ground, they bloom soon (before the leaves start), sending up flowers which, when expanded, are two to three feet across, the size of a tub, and which are a curious mixture of color,—red, brown and black (or purple), thickly spotted with pure white and pink. The flower is followed by a large spotted stem, which rises to the height of three or four feet, and unfolds at the top an umbel of beautiful palm-like foliage, which spreads out several feet, like an umbrella. \$1.00 each.



Spider Lily.

A bulb of easiest culture, which freely produces clusters of large white flowers of delightful fragrance. They may be grown in pots, in good rich soil, and will bloom well in the house or conservatory. When planted out in summer they must be taken up in the fall, potted, and little or no water given until the next season, when the bulb will have increased in size, and will bloom more abundantly. It is, indeed, a curious and beautiful flower, and one which will delight all beholders. Too much cannot be said in favor of it. It is in every respect a lovely and charming flower. Large bulbs for immediate blooming, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Summer-Flowering Oxalis.

Nothing is so valuable for edging the borders of walks or flower beds as the beautiful flowering Oxalis. Bulbs, when planted three inches apart, produce an unbroken row of elegant foliage and pretty flowers; and as they bloom very quickly after planting, they furnish a neat and attractive border the whole season. They are also splendid when planted in a mass, and make a very showy bed. The bulbs, which are the size of peas, or larger, can be planted the first of May, or perhaps earlier, and will be in bloom by the first of June. In autumn they should be lifted and stored in the cellar, like Gladiolus. No flower is easier grown than this, as they are sure to succeed in all soils and situations. They are also charming when grown in pots, and make a very attractive mass of fine foliage and gay flowers. They can be planted in this way at any time during the winter or spring, and will commence blooming at once. We know of no bulb that will give so much real satisfaction for the money as this. Every bulb will grow and flower beautifully. Price of fine bulbs, 10 cents per dozen; 25 for 15 cents; 50 for 25 cents; 100 for 40 cents; 500 for \$1.50; 1000 for \$2.50.

Lasandria, fine rosy pink; beautiful cut foliage. This is the tallest; and when planted in a bed with Dieppi, should occupy the center.

Dieppi, pure white; very fine.

Mixed Sorts, several colors.

Maderia Vine.

A beautiful, rapid-growing climber, bearing graceful racemes of very fragrant white flowers. The vine is very pretty and useful. 5c. each; 50c. per dozen.



Cinnamon Vine.

A fine hardy climber, and well known in some parts of the country as Chinese Yam. The tubers grow very large, and are edible, like a sweet potato. The vine is a beautiful rapid grower, producing sweet-scented flowers. It is perfectly hardy; and when left in the same place for several years they become very strong. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.



Cooperia Drummondii.

It is a member of the Amaryllis family, the bulbs being as large and solid as a medium-sized onion, and should be planted in the spring, either in the open ground or in pots (they do as well one way as the other), where they will bloom freely most of the summer, sending up beautiful lily-like white blossoms on stems ten to fifteen inches high. The foliage is quite long, and of peculiar lavender-green color. In the fall the bulbs should be lifted and kept dry over winter, like Gladiolus. It is one of the easiest of all bulbs to grow, absolutely sure to bloom freely, and the beautiful, pure, fairy-like blossoms are ever lovely. Strong bulbs, ready for immediate blooming, 10c. each; 6 for 50c.

Ismene Galathena.

The true Ismene Calathena is a flower of great size, wonderful beauty, pure snowy-whiteness, and unsurpassed fragrance. It is like a large Amaryllis, but more beautiful in form. Few realize how beautiful it is, as the true variety has seldom been seen in this country. It is a grand and glorious flower. We have a good stock of the true variety. Treat it either like an Amaryllis or Gladiolus. Large flowering bulbs, 50c. each.



The True Fairy Lily.

Beautiful, large lily-like blossoms, pure snow-white, of charming beauty and fragrance. They generally commence blooming within a few weeks after planting, and nearly every bulb produces from two to five flowers. For pot culture bulbs can be planted at any time during the winter or spring, and will soon bloom. They should be potted in sandy soil, and five to six can be planted in a five-inch pot. In the open ground they are not at all particular as to soil or situation, but are quite sure to thrive anywhere. Pot a few for immediate blooming in the house. They are charming. Large select bulbs, 5c. each; 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c.



Hyacinthus, Candicans.

A new species of Hyacinth which blooms during August and September, grows three to five feet high, with spikes of pure white flowers two feet or over in length. This grand plant was introduced a few years since, and its great value is being more and more appreciated. The bulbs are large, round and solid, and throw up strong flower stems three to five feet high, which are a gigantic spike of bell-shaped white blossoms. Planted in the spring they bloom in August, September and October, strong bulbs producing two, three and even four flower stems. They are perfectly hardy and can be left in the ground over winter, or if preferred, they can be lifted in the fall, and like Gladiolus, kept dry until spring. A bed of a dozen or more bulbs produces a grand effect. A few planted in the center of a bed of Verbenas, Petunias or other flowers, make a beautiful display. Planted anywhere, singly or in clumps, they are magnificent. For a cemetery, nothing can be more beautiful or appropriate, and nothing thrives better in any situation or is surer to bloom. Strong bulbs, sure to bloom, 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.



TRITOMA.



GALADIUM ESCULENTUM.

Galadium Esculentum.

A splendid tropical plant, growing four feet high, with immense leaves beautifully veined and variegated with different shades of green. As a single plant or mass for the lawn or flower-bed it is very fine. Grown only in the open ground. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen.



MONTBRETIA.

Montbretia.

A most beautiful class of new bulbs, which throw up several flower stalks from the same bulb, bearing spikes of blossoms a foot or more in length, and numerous small side spikes, making it very floriferous. Flowers perfect in form and graceful in habit. It is in fact a gem among summer-flowering bulbs, possessing rare grace and beauty, and blooming profusely for a period of three months or longer. For clumps or masses there is nothing more effective. South of Baltimore it is perfectly hardy in the open ground all the year. The great beauty of the Montbretias will be a surprise to all.

Crocsmiaeflora, intense orange scarlet, very effective, bearing its flowers in great masses. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Elegans, bright yellow, shaded scarlet outside, very beautiful. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 90c.

Sulphurea, reddish yellow. 10c. each; 3 for 25c., 12 for 90c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 20c. we will send one of each, 3 of each for 50c.

Fancy Galadium.

These have large, elegant leaves spotted, marked and variegated with white, pink, scarlet, etc., and are best suited for pot culture in shady situations. They are among the very finest foliage plants, and are always greatly admired. Our collection is superb, including all the finest and most highly colored sorts, which were so greatly admired at our place the last summer. They make extra fine pot plants, and are always greatly admired. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.



Tritoma, Grandiflora.

Few flowers produce such a striking effect and are so attractive as this grand herbaceous plant, which throws up stalks three to five feet high, bearing large solid spikes of flame colored flowers of great size and brilliancy. Grown singly or in masses it has a grand effect, and blooms until snow comes, regardless of fall frosts. Plants are hardy with good protection, but they are best wintered in the cellar, buried in dryish sand or soil. Those who have never seen this plant in bloom will be surprised at its magnificence. Having an enormous stock of this plant we offer it at a price which we hope will induce all to plant it. Strong plants, which will blossom freely this summer, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Choice Dahlias.

The following are among the very best, freest blooming and distinct Dahlias in cultivation. Every one is perfection in every respect. They are the best of their color. Of all these, we have a good stock of pot roots, and strong field roots, with which we shall fill orders; but should our stock of these become exhausted, we will send in May, strong, thrifty green plants, which can be put out for immediate growth and bloom. It matters not which you get, pot or field roots, or green plants. They are all carefully selected, strong and vigorous, and will do equally well.

THREE NEW DAHLIAS.

Floral Park Jewel, the most valuable and beautiful Dahlia in cultivation. Flowers of many colors, from deep maroon to bluish-white, including beautiful spotted in variegated forms, are borne in great profusion on the same plant at the same time. In fact, a plant will hardly ever produce two flowers alike. Blush-white, crimson-maroon, white suffused with maroon, maroon suffused with white, crimson-red, purple spotted, marked or marbled with white, spotted, marbled and striped with maroon, pink or crimson, or several colors suffused in an odd and irregular way. Often one-half of the flower will be white, and the other half maroon, or the center white, while the outer half will be deep crimson maroon, and vice versa. The exceeding beauty of a plant loaded with flowers, and each one of a different color, can be better imagined than described. The blossoms are very large, perfectly double to the center, and of perfect form, and we believe it is the most profuse bloomer of any Dahlia, commencing very early in the season and continuing until frost without once ceasing. To add to its beauty the flowers are borne on long, graceful stems, supported by a stout, vigorous growth. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

White Dove, another grand new Dahlia, which makes a compact, bushy plant, bearing large double snow-white flowers of perfect form. The flowers are borne on slender stems from two to three feet long, and thereby stand away from the plants so far that they appear as though they were floating in the air, hence its name. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

Livonia, another most charming new Dahlia; similar to White Dove in all respects, except its stems are not quite so long, and its color is a soft, sweet sea-shell pink. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

One bulb each, of above three sorts, \$1.00.

DAHLIA SEED.

Dahlias grow freely from seed, and bloom early the first summer. We can supply a splendid mixture of either Large flowering or Pompon at 20c. per pkt.



Dwarf Dahlias.

These three Dahlias will certainly astonish those who plant them, with their dwarf, compact habit, and enormous double flowers. Plants grow only about two feet high, stout and compact, branching freely, and producing, in great number, flowers of the largest size, and which are as double and perfect as it is possible for a Dahlia to be. In fact, the blossoms are the largest and best, and being borne on such plants they are exceedingly beautiful. Those who have not room to give to the larger growing Dahlias will find these lovely sorts just what they need. They bloom early, and continue until frost, and as they occupy so little room they are more desirable than the tall growing sorts. The three colors make a splendid contrast.

Fire King—Enormous size and perfect form; dark, intense scarlet; magnificent.

M. Bruant—Like the above, except in color, which is pure snow-white. It is really the finest white Dahlia grown.

Triumph de Solferno—No description can do it justice. Fine solferno color, perfect form, and one to one and one-half feet in circumference.

Price, 40c. each; the three for \$1.00.

General List of Best Dahlias.

Beatrix (pompon), blush white; tipped lilac. Fine double, and full.

Camelliaflora, fine pure white; splendid sort.

Chris Ridley, fine maroon black; large fine flower.

Golden Bedder, fine bright golden-yellow. One of the very best of its color.

Glow Worm (pompon), elegant golden-yellow; very perfect.

Germania Nora, beautiful pink; grand.

Little Prince (pompon), beautiful scarlet, tipped white.

Lady Marshaea (Cactus), fine salmon, tinged blush. A most beautiful variety.

Mrs. Staucomb, creamy-white, edged purple.

Mrs. Hawkins (Cactus), fine lemon and rose.

Mary Hallock, petals beautifully quilled, forming a most perfect flower. Color golden-yellow.

Alice Pere, bright amber, shaded purple.

Red Head, enormous flower; deep red.

Price of above 13 sorts, 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00. The 13 for \$2.00.

HARDY BULBS AND PLANTS.

To many this will be the most interesting part of the catalogue. Hardy Bulbs and Plants are now among the most popular of all garden flowers; and justly do they merit such popularity, for among them are many of the brightest gems of the floral world. A border along a walk or drive filled with a good variety of Hardy Bulbs and Plants, is a constant source of brightness, fragrance and joy from March to November. To many, this class of flowers is especially desirable on account of their living in the open ground from year to year, and increasing in size and beauty all the time, with but little care or attention. They can be planted and left undisturbed for many years; but we advise giving them good culture with spade and hoe. For specimen clumps on the lawn, the Hibiscus and Helianthus are good. Perennial Phloxes make a beautiful bed by themselves, as do Day Lilies and Achilleas; but a mixed border of many varieties is probably the most satisfactory.

Lilies and many other Bulbs and Plants in this department cannot be sent out later than May 15th, and we would in all cases advise planting in April or earlier.



CAYSTEGIA PUBESCENS
Rose Vine, or Double Morning Glory.

This is a hardy Perennial, the roots living in the ground from year to year, and every spring send up long, graceful vines which are nearly all summer clothed in a profusion of lovely double rose-like flowers, which are of a soft, delicate pink color. The cut is no exaggeration, for the whole vine is one complete wreath of these beautiful flowers all the time. It belongs to the Convolvulus or Morning Glory family, and may well be called a hardy Double Morning Glory; but the flowers keep perfect several days before fading, and when they go, new ones are ready to take their place, so the vine is kept full. It is a magnificent and highly satisfactory vine. The plants we send out will commence blooming profusely in June or July. We believe this will also prove to be an elegant winter bloomer. Price, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Hardy Asters.

These are exceedingly beautiful, producing for a long time great masses of elegant daisy-like blossoms, of delicate colors. A single plant will bear several thousand blossoms, and make a great show from a long distance. Perfectly hardy, and bloom profusely every year. 15c. each.

Chapmani, beautiful lavender; large and fine.

Novae Anglae, rich deep purple.

Lychnis, Viscaris.

This is truly a magnificent plant, bearing large, double, brilliant crimson flowers early in spring. Its flowers appear in clusters, borne on tall, graceful stems and make a magnificent show. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.



PLATYCODON GRANDIFLORA.

Platycodon, Grandiflora.

Mixed Colors, introduced by us five years ago and has proved very valuable. It is a new hardy plant from Japan, producing all summer abundance of star-shaped flowers three inches across, of beautiful blue and white colors. Perfectly hardy, and lives and blooms for many years, increasing in size and beauty each year. Plants grow three feet high and produce a beautiful mass of bloom. It is a plant that will please all. Strong roots, 15c. each; 5 for 50 cents. Seed, 10c. per paper. If sown in May it will bloom the first summer.

Dwarf White, new and fine. Plants 15c. each; seed 10c. per pkt.

Dwarf Blue, new and fine. Plants 15c. each; seed 10c. per pkt.

Thrift.



This is a splendid Hardy Perennial Plant, forming compact tufts of narrow green foliage, which makes it particularly valuable for edging. The flowers are a clear bright pink, and borne in clusters on tall stems. It blooms all summer long, and is a very pretty, desirable and useful flower. It increases rapidly by division. Plant a good lot of it for borders. You can have nothing better. 10c. each; 15 for \$1.00.



Perennial Poppy.

I wonder how many lovers of flowers ever saw a large Perennial or Oriental Poppy in bloom. Those who have, I am sure would never be satisfied until they possessed one. For a brilliant striking effect, something which will be singled out by every eye, this new sort, Fire Brand, has no superior among flowers. Its blossoms are borne on tall, graceful stems, are as large as a saucer, and of the brightest fire scarlet with a black center. The plant is perfectly hardy, and blooms profusely every summer. It is one of the most showy flowers it is possible to have, and will delight every one with its great flaming blossoms. Fine plants 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Hemerocallis.

Flava (Golden Lily), among rare and expensive Lilies there is not a yellow one so beautiful and sweet as this. Flowers large, borne on tall, graceful stems and in great abundance; color clear bright lemon yellow, and very fragrant. Perfectly hardy and a grand perennial. Large blooming roots 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Dumortieri (Orange Lily), a new sort, growing very dwarf and compact, and producing in endless number large lily-like blossoms of a bright orange color. The smallest plant will bloom freely the first season, but an established clump, showing hundreds of its superb flowers is indeed a prize worth having. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

One of each variety for 50c.



CALLIOPSIS LANCEOLATA.

Calliopsis lanceolata, a very beautiful plant which flowers profusely all summer. The flowers are of great size, golden yellow and borne on long, wiry stems, 1 to 2 feet high, and therefore present a most graceful and beautiful appearance. The flowers look as though they were floating in the air. Perfectly hardy and when once planted will be a joy for many years. 15 cts. each; 3 for 30c., 6 for 50c.



MARGUARITES.

Hardy Marguarites.

These are very fine indeed, perfectly hardy in the open ground and bloom profusely each year and for a long period. **White** (*Pyrethrum Uligenosum*), large white flowers, with a fine golden center. It blooms late in summer and a plant is a perfect pyramid of bloom, so freely are the flowers produced.

Golden, the Golden Marguarite produces in great numbers large golden-yellow flowers, which are exceedingly fine, and make a splendid contrast when planted with the white variety.

Price 20c. each; the 2 for 30c.



Mountain Fleece.

Polygonum Oxphyllum, this is a hardy perennial which succeeds anywhere, and is a new flower which has come to stay. It is a very late bloomer, flowering with the Chrysanthemum in September and October. Its flowers are produced in great feathery sprays or plumes, and are pure white, exceedingly graceful and pretty, and unsurpassed for all sorts of floral work. Nothing works up so finely with other flowers, or adds to the beauty of a vase or basket as this. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Helianthus, Multiflora Plena.

This grand plant grows 5 feet high, branching freely and producing from July to October a great profusion of double golden-yellow flowers, the size of large Dahlias. When in full bloom it is the most showy yellow flower we have ever seen. No matter how small a plant is, when set out in the spring, it will in a short time grow to a large bushy plant, loaded with bloom, as shown in the cut. In the way of grandeur and beauty, it is a fitting companion for the great Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.



NEW PERPETUAL PERENNIAL PHLOX.

New Perpetual Perennial Phloxes.

We desire to call special attention to these elegant Phloxes. In growth and foliage they are unlike other sorts, being dwarf and bushy. They commence blooming in June and continue until frost and are indeed charming. They produce their flowers in large panicles like a Hydrangea, and the brilliant colors show to great advantage. They are perfectly hardy and should be left in the ground over winter, where they will increase in size and beauty each year.

Master Morty Hulse, beautiful rose lilac, marbled with white, flowers large and of beautiful form.

Master Clarence Hulse, pure white; flowers and truss of very large size and exceedingly beautiful.

Master Sylvester Hulse, beautiful lilac rose.

Miss Hattie Hulse, pure white with beautiful pink eye.

Price, 20 cents each, or the four sorts for 70 cents.

Giant Perennial Phloxes, these grow taller than the above, with immense panicles of bloom, but do not flower so early. We have ten of the finest colors, white, scarlet, pink, variegated, etc. Fine plants, colors mixed, 3 for 40c.; 6 for 75c.; 12 for \$1.25. They are grand.

Day Lilies.

The Day Lily is an old and highly-esteemed plant, and one which is now-a-days largely sought after. It is, however, very scarce; all perfectly hardy.

Large White, lovely large, pure white blossoms of great beauty and fragrance. It produces an elegant mass of handsome foliage. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Large Blue, splendid blue flowers on tall spikes. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Variegated Leaved, a most lovely plant with large leaves which are almost entirely pure white. Its flowers are blue and borne in tall spikes. A most beautiful plant either for pots or the garden. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Special Offer—For 50 cents we will send one plant of each.



DAY LILY.

Eulalia.



EULALIA.

These plants form some of the most beautiful objects that can be grown. They are large spotted and striped grasses, forming a dense clump, and growing 5 to 10 feet high. They grow large, feathery plumes, which are exceedingly odd and handsome, especially when dried and used for winter decorations. They are as valuable as the pampas grass for dry bouquets. As a lawn plant they have no superior, the long, wavy, variegated leaves resembling nothing else in cultivation.

Zebrina, long wavy leaves, spotted with creamy yellow. Elegant. 20c. each; \$2.00 per dozen.

Japonica, leaves striped with white. 15c. each; \$1.50 doz.

Pæonies.

We have a very fine stock of large double sorts of all colors, white, rose, scarlet, pink, etc. **Mixed**, all colors and varieties, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Double White, large snow white; very fragrant, 40c. each.

Tenuifolium, the foliage is finely cut, very massive and exceedingly beautiful, while the flowers are as double and perfect as an enormous rose and of the richest dark fiery scarlet color. It blooms very early in the spring, fully as soon as the Hyacinth, and nearly two months earlier than other Pæonies. It is a very rare plant and one of unsurpassed beauty. 65c. each.



PÆONY TENUIFOLIUM.

Yucca, Filamentosa.

AN EVERGREEN PLANT.



YUCCA.

This plant is an object of beauty the year round, if only its leaves are seen; these are one to two feet long, bristling out at all angles with sharp points; flower stalk stout, four to five feet high, with 50 to 200 bell-shaped creamy white blossoms hanging from branching arms. It is of a tropical appearance and truly magnificent; perfectly hardy and lives to a great age. 15c. each; 3 for 30c. Seed 10c. per paper.

Double Hollyhocks.

These are always in great demand and are used for backgrounds or centers of beds, their tall spikes of beautiful flowers making them very valuable for such situations. Our stock of young, healthy plants is very fine, embracing all colors—crimson, buff, yellow, lemon, purple, rose, etc. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50.



HIBISCUS, CHILDS' HYBRIDS.

Hibiscus.

CHILDS' NEW HARDY HYBRIDS.

This grand hardy Hibiscus, which has become known as the "Giant Flower," we produced after years of careful hybridization, and our large hedgerow of it has for several years been one of the novel attractions at Floral Park. They are perfectly hardy in any place, and each spring send up numerous branches, which from well-established roots grow 5 to 8 feet high, forming a dense clump, which is truly a showy object. For hedges they are unsurpassed. The flowers are produced in great profusion from July to September, and are about a foot across, being the shape of large saucers. The colors range from pure white through all the shades of blush and pink to deep brilliant rose. We offer both seeds and one year old roots. The seeds will, in a good situation, bloom late the first summer. The roots are sure to bloom well, and increase in size every year. Roots, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1. Seeds, per paper, 10c.

Hardy Pinks.

Snow, plants dwarf, and during May and June are a perfect mass of large, double, snow white blossoms. If potted in the fall and brought inside, it will bloom during winter. 15c. each; \$1.00 per dozen.

Annie Boleyn, like the above except in color, which is fine pink, with a dark center; very fine. 15c. each.



HARDY PINK.



SPIREA.

Grand Spireas.

We know of but very few perfectly hardy plants for outdoor culture so desirable as these charming Spireas. They bloom in June, and the blossoms are like large feathery plumes and unexcelled for all kinds of bouquets, vases and baskets of loose flowers. The plants form large clumps, bloom profusely and make a great show.

Palmata, grows two feet high with large feathery plumes of the most charming rosy scarlet blossoms. 20c. each.
Elegans, pure white, in large compact spirals. 20c. each.
Aurea Reticulata, fine yellow variegated foliage, and elegant flower. A showy plant. 20c. each.



GERMAN IRIS.

Beautiful German Iris.

What can be more desirable among hardy plants than the lovely new German Iris. They are marvels of beauty and fragrance and present an array of exquisite colors which are truly fascinating. They are profuse bloomers and when once planted are good for a life-time. We have three acres of the new and improved varieties the following of which are the best, and we offer them extremely low to induce people to plant them largely. They will give the greatest satisfaction. They bloom during May and June when there are very few flowers in the garden and are particularly valuable on that account.

Alvelrea, upright petals light blue; falls rich brilliant purplish blue flaked and feathered.

Bismarck, uprights dull old-gold color; falls veined yellow and purple, rather dwarf.

Candicans, uprights fine light blue; falls feathered light and dark blue.

Cubero, uprights bright golden yellow; falls finely veined purple and yellow.

Fulda, uprights light lavender; falls light and dark blue veined and feathered.

Halopula, uprights fine sky-blue, falls deep blue; an excellent blue variety.

Honorable, uprights bright deep golden yellow; falls finely feathered and veined yellow and maroon.

Mad. Cheral, uprights pearly white, deeply feathered at edges of petals with sky-blue; falls white, delicately fringed blue. Tall and very early; a grand variety.

Perle, uprights delicate lavender; falls deep lavender.

Parisensis, uprights fine blue, falls deep blue; large flower and very early bloomer.

Queen of the Cypsies, uprights smoky lavender bronze; falls feathered and veined with rich plum, white, buff, etc.

Stenophylla, a beautiful self-color, light blue, shaded darker.

Souvenir, uprights brilliant yellow; falls freely veined network of yellow, buff and purple.

Velveteen, uprights light yellow; falls deep velvety purplish-black.

Visc. de Brebant, uprights yellowish-white flaked purple; falls finely feathered white and plum.

Price of above grandest sorts, 10c. each, 4 for 30c.; the whole 15 for only \$1.00. Plant them by all means.

Fine Mixed Sorts, 6 for 40c.; 12 for 75c.

Iris Siberica.

A lovely Iris, producing tall spikes of elegant bloom early in the spring. There are two varieties—one pure white and the other deep blue, making a fine contrast. Price, 10c. each; 2 for 15c.; 6 (3 of each color) for 30c.

IRIS KAEMPFERI



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Iris Kaempferi.

Believing that the public do not realize the beauty and value of these new Iris, which are really among the grandest and most fascinatingly beautiful of all flowers, we here offer 18 of the grandest varieties at a price which we hope will tempt all to plant them.

The newer varieties of this King of Iris, recently introduced from Japan, are marvels of beauty and stateliness. Think of a plant sending up to the height of three feet a dozen flower

spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight or ten inches across, and of the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings and combinations. Think of a bed of all colors, white, indigo, violet, lavender, mauve, sky-blue, royal purple, bluish yellow, etc. Your imagination can conceive of nothing grander, and when you see them you will realize that they are infinitely more grand and beautiful than your

imagination could portray. Such are these new Iris Kaempferi the king of hardy perennial plants. Once planted in your garden they are a joy for a life-time without further care, blooming profusely in June and July, during which time they are the greatest attraction your garden or lawn can contain. We have about one hundred fine named varieties both double and single. The single ones are composed of three wide petals and the doubles of six.

12 FINEST DOUBLE VARIETIES.

15 cents each; 4 for 50 cents; the 12 for \$1.50.

Blue Danube, deep luminous peacock blue with yellow center, medium height. Flowers very large and extra fine.

Beth Hallock, dwarf habit, magnificent large flower. Delicate lavender freely suffused with white. Beautiful wavy petals.

Chameleon, dwarf habit, flowers very large and beautiful; grayish white freely mottled with purplish crimson. Bright yellow center, extra fine.

Crimson Tuft, tall grower and large flower. Rich plum with deeper shadings toward the center, brightly marked with yellow.

Cold Bound, tall and showy with flowers of enormous size, probably the most beautiful of all. Pure snow white with large gold-banded center.

Hyde Park, large flower, purplish blue and white freely mottled, variegated and intermixed.

Oriole, deep rich crimson amaranth with yellow center. Large flower and dwarf habit.

Orion, tall and strikingly handsome; pure white, each petal having a wide border of lilac red; very distinct.

Othello, deep rich purplish blue, light yellow center. Medium height and very fine form.

Pyramid, tall and showy, flower very large; light violet blue with slight white veins.

Robert Craig, tall and very large; French white shaded with violet toward the center; extra fine.

Victor, medium height, large flower; ash gray freely and distinctly veined with azure-blue, orange center.

SIX BEST SINGLE VARIETIES.

15 cents each; the 6 for 75 cents.

Dinah, fine ivory with satin lustre freely veined and suffused with celestial blue; violet red center.

Von Siebold, tall and handsome, reddish amaranth with large white center, freely veined with white.

Ondine, medium height; magnificent large flowers with enormous wavy petals; pure white slightly shaded with lavender blue. Yellow center, extra fine.

Red Riding Hood, medium height, large flower; bright purplish red with a yellow center, freely striped with white; extra fine.

Shadow, tall with flower of great size; dark indigo blue with peacock luster and yellow center; enormous wavy petals.

Violet Cap, pure white distinctly veined and suffused with dark blue and with a reddish blue center; very striking.

Price of above 18 grandest named sorts, 15c. each; 4 for 50c.; the whole 18, a magnificent collection, for only \$2.00.

GRAND MIXED VARIETIES.

Our Mixed Iris Kaempferi are not worthless seedlings as are generally sold, but are all magnificent named varieties, the very finest in existence. This grand mixture of over 100 varieties, all colors, both double and single, we offer at the very low price of 10c. each; 6 for 50c.; 13 for \$1.00; 30 for \$2.00.

SEED.

We can supply seed of Iris Kaempferi, saved from our collection of over 100 of the finest new varieties, both double and single, at 10 cents per packet. It will grow freely, and produce magnificent varieties.



CHILDS' SUPERB LILIES.

LILIES have long been a specialty with us, and the list here offered is a very desirable one. We take special pride in our Lilies for they are very fine, and most of the bulbs we offer are large, strong, home-grown stock. For a complete description and illustration of all Lilies, see our book, "Popular Bulbs and their Culture," (price 25 cents) which also gives full cultural directions, and much other useful information concerning Lilies and their culture, which cannot be given in a brief Catalogue like this. It is useless for us to say anything in praise of this noble flower. As a class every one knows it to be the grandest of all flowering bulbs. They are of easy culture, and with the magnificent bulbs we send out, none need fail.

	Each.		Each.
Auratum , see special offer among Specialties and Novelties.....	20	Superbum , three to six feet high; flowers from five to forty, nodding brilliant orange red; blooms in July. This is one of the grandest of all Lilies. It is capable of growing and producing an astonishing number of flowers. Per dozen, \$1.50.....	15
Auratum , Rubra Vitatum novelties.....	1.00	Speciosum (Lancifolium), no flower garden can be complete without some varieties of this most beautiful class of Lilies. They are sure to thrive and give satisfaction in any situation. They are fragrant, pure, brilliant and delicate in color, and graceful and stately in form. Their beauty will surprise all who are unacquainted with them.	
" Macranthum novelties.....	1.00	S. Album , pure white and very fragrant.....	35
Brownii , magnificent variety; flowers very large, fine, white inside, purple outside. The stamens are a rich chocolate color, and form a very distinct feature....	1.25	S. Monstrosum Album , an interesting and distinct variety, with broad, flat stem, pure white flowers; very floriferous. Per dozen, \$1.50.....	15
Bermuda Easter Lily , this grand Lily (Harrisii) is one of the most popular of all winter blooming bulbs. We have a fine stock of strong bulbs which we offer remarkably low.....	20	S. Præcox , color pure white with a slight rose tint on the ends of the petals. Form perfect; petals more reflexed than in the other varieties of the species. The fringe in the center of the flower is very long and fine, giving it an exquisite appearance. It is perfectly hardy.....	30
Candidum , a well-known hardy garden Lily; snow-white fragrant blossoms; one of the best varieties for forcing and an established favorite. Per dozen, \$1....	10	S. Rubrum , rose, spotted with crimson. Per dozen, \$2.00.	30
Chaicedonicum , intensely scarlet, like Excelsum in shape and habit; very brilliant.....	75	S. Melpomene , beautiful dark red, with a clear white border around each petal; a superb and rare sort.....	1.00
Coridion , a beautiful Lily; an upright, perfect, star-shaped flower of clear yellow; foliage fine and attractive.....	15	Tigrinum , fl. pl. (Double Tiger Lily), this is a plant of stately habit, growing from 4 to 6 feet high; foliage is dark green and very long, bearing an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers spotted with black. Per dozen, \$1.00.....	10
Concolor , like Coridion except in color which is a bright scarlet.....	15	Tigrinum Splendens (Tiger Lily), orange salmon, spotted black. Per dozen, 40c.....	5
Excelsum , this remarkable Lily attains the wonderful height of 5 to 6 feet. It produces from 8 to 12 nodding rich apricot-hued blooms; has a delightful perfume, and its stately form makes it attract attention wherever grown. You will be delighted with it.....	60	Tenuifolium (the Coral Lily of Siberia), very slender, with narrow foliage and small intense scarlet flowers; a perfect little gem; should be in every collection. Per dozen, \$2.50.....	25
Humboldtii , a majestic Lily; flower golden yellow, spotted with purple, large and handsome.....	30	Umbellatum , one of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large perfect flowers and dazzling colors. They are robust growers and produce an enormous head of bloom. Colors range from black red through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, &c., many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts, mixed, per dozen, \$1.50....	15
Elegans , these are truly magnificent, being all tulip-shaped, and bloom in June. The blossoms are large and of exceedingly bright and striking colors; robust, hardy and free bloomers. Mixed sorts \$1.00 per doz..	10	Wallacei , this Lily is very floriferous, each bulb throwing up from 4 to 6 flower stems, each one of which is crowned with 3 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms of a delicate bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort. Per dozen, \$1.00....	10
E. Aureum Maculatum , a most beautiful sort, growing only one foot high, and producing in June several elegant upright flowers of the most beautiful, soft, light apricot yellow, spotted with black. It is one of the most pleasing sorts in cultivation.....	15	Washingtonianum , a beautiful and sweet Lily growing several feet high and bearing a great mass of delicately tinted white blossoms which are freely spotted with black.....	25
E. Aurora , two to four feet high: inside of cup is a deep, rich orange; tips of petals suffused with the deepest crimson. A most beautiful Lily.....	60		
E. Bicolor , another grand early blooming sort, exceedingly showy, being of a brilliant red color, flamed with yellow; very large and perfect. \$1.50 per doz....	15		
Longiflorum , white, trumpet-formed; very fragrant... ..	20		
Pomponium Verum , this magnificent species resembles a gigantic Tenuifolium, growing about three feet in height, having numerous fiery scarlet flowers.....	35		
Pyreneicum , tall and graceful, with fine drooping flowers in great profusion; yellow, spotted black....	50		
Pardalium , scarlet, shading to rich yellow and spotted with purple brown. A beautiful robust and free flowering sort.....	25		

FOR \$10.00 WE WILL SEND ONE BULB EACH OF THE 31 SORTS.

HARDY FLOWERING CLIMBERS.

These are just as important as Hardy Shrubs, as there are many places around a house and garden where they can be planted to good advantage, both for beauty and shade. Train them around windows, verandas, porches, old trees and fences, and their beauty and usefulness will please you. Our Clematis are very fine indeed.



CLEMATIS.

Clematis.

For a trellis or pillar vine nothing equals the Clematis in grandeur and beauty; their large star-shaped flowers being produced in great profusion from June to October. We have many varieties, not here offered, of new and fine sorts, and if the selection of sorts is left to us, the customer is sure to be greatly pleased. When well grown many of the varieties produce flowers by the hundred, from six to ten inches across. The following are the best sorts:

- Miss Bateman**, pure white, chocolate anthers; grand. This sort commences to bloom as soon as its leaves start in May, on which account it is very valuable.
- Jackmani**, deep violet purple, very profuse bloomer.
- Fairy Queen**, very large, often nine inches across, pale flesh with a pink band in each petal. Very fine.

Duchess of Edinburg, fine, double white, free bloomer, extra fine and fragrant.
Price of above 4 best Clematis, 60c. each; 4 for \$2.00.



CLEMATIS CRISPA.

Bell-Flowered Clematis.

Two most beautiful, hardy and rapid growing varieties of recent introduction. They are real gems in every respect and will give great satisfaction.

- Coccinea**, a lovely sort, producing an abundance of handsome vine, and a great profusion of large rosy scarlet flowers which are exceedingly handsome, and useful for all sorts of decoration. It blooms all summer long. Fine plants for blooming at once, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.
- Crispa**, much like Coccinea except its color is a fine blue, tipped with white. 20c. each.



Hop, Golden Cluster.

This is a rapid and beautiful climbing vine, bearing great clusters of golden hops, which are not only beautiful and fragrant, but useful for medical purposes. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



FUCHSIA FLOWERED.



HALLIANA.

Honeysuckles.

A grand hardy climber of great beauty and fragrance. The following sorts of recent introduction are the best, and great improvements on the old sorts.

Fuchsia Flowered, a new perpetual-flowering, weeping Honeysuckle. Its flowers are long and trumpet-shaped, beautiful coral red, borne in large clusters, and drooping like a Fuchsia. It is a strong, rapid grower, with beautiful leaves and numerous branches which trail and droop in a charming, wavy manner. It is loaded with bloom during the *entire summer and fall*. 25c. each.

Halliana, a new, white, monthly Honeysuckle. It is ever green, retaining its freshness during the entire winter; flowers pure white, turning to pale-yellow, with the fragrance of the Cape Jessamine; hardy, vigorous grower; a constant bloomer. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Golden-Leaved, a most beautiful variety, the leaves being variegated with golden-yellow and green, making it one of the finest of all ornamental foliage plants. It is a large and rapid grower and will soon cover the side of a house. Flowers yellow and fragrant. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Japanese Purple, a variety bearing large, sweet, yellow and white flowers, and with leaves of a dark purplish color, making it a very beautiful and conspicuous vine. It retains its beautiful foliage nearly all winter in a fresh state. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Special Offer—For 60 cents we will send a nice plant of each of the above 4 lovely Honeysuckles.

Wistaria Sinensis Magnifica.

This popular hardy climber will grow 25 feet in a season, and bears early in spring long racemes of blue flowers in the greatest profusion. A large plant in bloom is a beautiful sight with its hundreds of clusters in bloom. 20c. each; extra large, 40c. each.

Alba, the rare white Chinese Wistaria. A glorious vine being in early spring clothed in a profusion of lovely white flowers, the beauty of which it is impossible to describe. The racemes of bloom are nearly two feet in length. Strong plants, 50c. each; extra large, 75c.



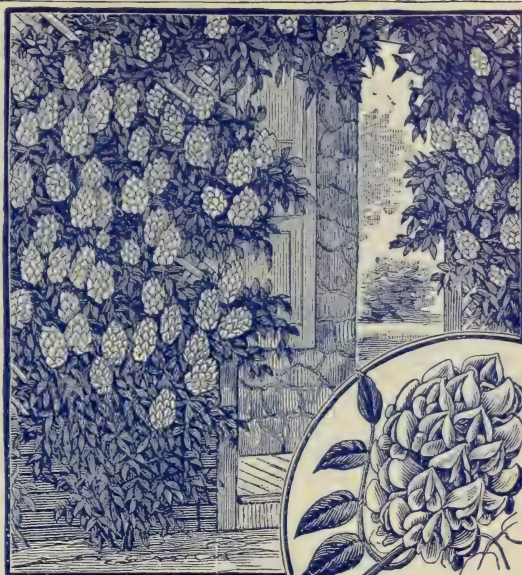
WISTARIA.



TRUMPET CREEPER.

Trumpet Creeper (Bignonia).

A superb hardy vine of rapid growth, producing large clusters of showy scarlet, trumpet-shaped flowers. Very desirable. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

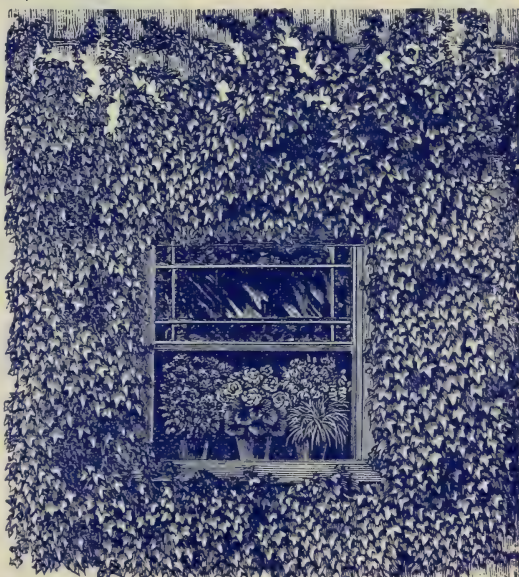


APIOS TUBEROSA.

Apios Tuberosa,

Or the Tuberous-Rooted Wistaria.

A valuable hardy tuberous-rooted climber, closely resembling the common Wistaria in vine and foliage, and having clusters of rich, deep purple flowers, which have a strong, delicious violet fragrance. Plant the bulb near a trellis, tree, fence, or any place where you may wish a climber. They grow to a great height, and bloom profusely. The bulbs are perfectly hardy, and should not be taken up over winter. It is sure to give great satisfaction. If possible, plant two or three bulbs near together to produce a greater mass of vines and flowers. Price, 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 7 for 50c.



AMPELOPSIS, VEITCHI.

Ampelopsis, Veitchi.

A new and rapid growing climber of great beauty, especially for brick or stone houses or walls. Its foliage, which is lively green in summer, changes in autumn to brilliant crimson, producing a most gorgeous effect. It will, in a short time, entirely cover the side of a large building, and far surpasses the Ivy. We offer it at the low price of 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 12 for \$1.00.



A good bed of shrubs must not be overlooked by any one. Our shrub garden is one of the most interesting and beautiful features of Floral Park, and furnishes a profusion of flowers from April to October. No one can realize their great beauty until they have a few well established. Shrubs are a necessity to every garden and lawn, as they furnish abundance of the prettiest flowers and foliage, and serve to form a most beautiful background, or a fine screen for unsightly objects. For planting in cemeteries or parks they are practically valuable. What can be prettier planted side by side, than the white-leaved Althea or Weigelia, golden-leaved Spirea, purple-leaved Berberry, and the gloss-green foliage of other sorts, to say nothing of the gay and pretty flowers? A good shrub is an object of beauty anywhere, and as they are perfectly hardy and require but little care after once well planted, they should be extensively used. The plants we supply are strong, healthy and vigorous, all having grown one year in the open ground, and most of them will flower beautifully this season. Do not fail to plant a few. Our list this year includes many new and valuable sorts.

When Shrubs, Fruits, or Hardy Plants are received before you are ready to plant them in the ground, they can be safely kept in boxes of moist soil in a cool cellar or shed.

ONE EACH OF THESE 30 SHRUBS FOR \$3.00.

a plant of peculiar value and beauty. It is a conspicuous and attractive object in any shrubbery or pleasure ground, pot or tub. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.



TRIFOLIATE ORANGE.

The Trifoliolate Orange.

(CITRUS TRIFOLIATA.) A New Hardy Orange.

This is the most hardy of the Orange family, and will stand our northern climate with little or no protection, and is also desirable for pot culture. In the parks of both New York and Philadelphia it is growing luxuriantly, and blooming and fruiting profusely. Think of it friends, you can have an orange tree growing, blooming and fruiting on your lawn or yard. It is dwarf, of a low, symmetrical growth, with beautiful trifoliolate, glossy green leaves, and abundance of large, white blossoms. The fruit is small, bright orange-red in color. The fine appearance of the plant, with its constant habit of blooming, and showy fruit, combine to make



Clethra Alnifolia.

A low growing shrub, with dense, pale green foliage, covered with spikes of delightfully fragrant white flowers, produced from July to October, when flowers are of such value. A hedge of it fully equals the wonderful Jessamine hedges of the South, both in beauty and charming fragrance. A most valuable shrub indeed, and should be included in all collections. As a honey producer it is not excelled by any plant or shrub. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Elder, Golden-Leaved.

This is a new and extra fine shrub. Its leaves are pure bright yellow, which color they retain all the season, and present an object of striking beauty. Do not fail to try it. It is as showy as the finest foliage plant, and lights up a lawn remarkably. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Althea or Tree Hollyhock.

The new double Altheas, or "Tree Hollyhocks," are among the most desirable hardy shrubs, and when once planted are good for a lifetime. They commence blooming when very small, and grow to the size of a little bush, branching freely and producing from July until frost great quantities of large double blossoms, as showy as the finest perennial Hollyhocks. For planting on the lawn or against fences, or grouping with other shrubbery, they are just elegant. In France they are the most popular hardy shrub, especially for cemetery planting, for which purpose they are unsurpassed by any other tree or shrub.

New Double, mixed colors; a fine mixed lot of the choicest new named varieties, all colors, white, red, rose, purple, striped, etc., all perfectly double; bushes of blooming size. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 6 for \$1.00.

Single Mixed, fine, large, single blossoms of gay colors. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.

Andromeda Mariana.

A beautiful flowering shrub, of very low growth, bearing great panicles of lovely, drooping, bell-like white blossoms. It is often called the Lily of the Valley shrub; and it is, indeed, an appropriate name. It is perfectly hardy, and flowers profusely in any situation, no matter how poor the soil, or how much neglected. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Forsythia or Golden Bell.

An old and valued shrub, growing 4 to 5 feet high, and in April or May, before its leaves appear, robing itself the length of its branches in pendulous bells of a bright yellow color. It is such a mass of brilliant yellow that it can be seen for a long distance, and lights up a lawn or yard as nothing else can at that early season. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Fringe.

Purple, this grand shrub is covered in midsummer with fine, hair-like flowers, giving the whole plant the appearance of being wrapped in a cloud of purple mist. Striking and beautiful. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

White, covered with a profusion of mist-like white blossoms. Very effective. 15c. each.





HYDRANGEA PANICULATA GRANDIFLORA.

Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora.

We believe this to be the most desirable hardy shrub in cultivation. Flowers white, borne in immense pyramidal trusses more than a foot long. It remains in flower two or three months; creates a great sensation wherever seen. It is sure to bloom finely the first season. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Galeanthus Florida.

This is the well-known "sweet-scented" shrub. It bears in May a great profusion of double purple blossoms, which have a strong, delicious pine-apple fragrance. Very popular. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.



BERBERRY.



CALYCANTHUS.

Berberry.

Purple Leaved, a shrub of striking beauty, as it has dark purple (almost black) leaves. The bush has a compact symmetrical form, and in May is loaded with beautiful, drooping racemes of yellowish flowers. Makes a fine specimen. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.25.

Thunbergi, a shrub of great value; after blooming profusely it bears brilliant red berries which hang very thickly, suspended from the branches. These berries keep on well into the winter, and make the bush very brilliant after the leaves have fallen. In autumn the leaves color very brilliantly. A grand acquisition. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Rosa Rugosa.

A grand, hardy shrub, which forms a bush 4 to 5 feet high, and which, almost during the whole season, is covered with large flowers of the most brilliant glossy crimson, which emit a most delightful odor. The foliage, which remains perfectly green until away into the winter months, is ex-



ROSA RUGOSA.

ceedingly ornamental; but this is not all, for while flowers are still on the plant, it will begin to produce its thick bunches of large fruit of the brightest scarlet imaginable, remaining on the plant during the autumn and winter. 30c. each, 4 for \$1.00.

Deutzia.

Beautiful low growing shrubs, which, when in bloom, appear to be "all flowers, and nothing but flowers." Gracilis forces well and is fine for winter blooming in pots.

Crenata, fl. pl., grows four feet high, and in June is literally covered with double white blossoms, as perfect and beautiful as roses. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Rosea, fl. pl., like the above, except a charming rose color. Rare and fine. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Gracilis, height two feet, very compact, its branches drooping to the ground with their profusion of white Lily of the Valley like blossoms. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.



WEIGELIA.

Weigelia.



DEUTZIA.

Rosea, a grand shrub which is a mass of fine, bell-shaped, pink blossoms during June. It is one of the most popular and beautiful of all shrubs. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Candida, like the above, except pure white in color. 15c. each.

Variegata, similar to Rosea, except it has a more dwarf habit and its leaves are finely variegated with white and green. A most charming foliage shrub, and when in bloom it is simply one perfect mass of pinkish-white flowers. The most beautiful of all Weigelias. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



New Japanese Spireas.

Not only are their flowers so extra fine, but they continue in bloom from June until October, a much longer period than any other shrub. It is impossible to describe their beauty. The flowers appear in large feathery panicles and in such numbers as to completely robe the plant, which is of a low bushy habit, in a mass of delicate color, and thus it stands, a huge bouquet of fascinating beauty—try them, friends—they will so delight you. We have made the price very low, and will send you plants that will bloom the coming summer. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Bumalda, dwarf compact habit, covered during mid-summer and autumn with a mass of lovely, bright, rose-colored flowers. A shrub of unsurpassed beauty.

Fortunei Rosea, a free and upright grower, of medium size, with large panicles of flowers which completely cover the bush all summer. Color, light pink, delicate and handsome.

Fortunei Alba, exactly like the above except being in color pure snow white. A magnificent shrub.

Spirea.

Van Houttei, one of the very best flowering shrubs in cultivation. The plant is a rather tall, upright grower, with long slender branches that droop gracefully with their weight of foliage and flowers. Flowers pure white, in great clusters and whorls, forming cylindrical plumes two feet long. Few shrubs present a more charming appearance. It blooms freely when very small. New and fine. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Thunbergi, beautiful fern-like leaves which remain on till late fall, changing from green to most glowing and rich colors. Forms a large dense bush which in spring is a perfect mass of elegant white flowers. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Aurea, a grand shrub, with bright golden-yellow foliage. Very conspicuous and contrasts finely with other sorts. Flowers white, in clusters. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Tamarix, African.

A graceful shrub which in early spring is a complete mass of lovely light pink, spray-like blossoms, exceedingly beautiful. The blossoms are followed by a peculiar fine evergreen-like foliage, which makes a curious looking bush all summer. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Lilac, White.

All know and love the grand old purple Lilac, but very few possess the large-flowering pure white variety which we here offer. Do not fail to plant a few it is so lovely in contrast with the other. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Jasmine Nudiflorum.

It is the first of all shrubs to bloom, producing its great mass of fragrant yellow flowers before its leaves start and on the approach of the first warm days of spring. It blooms here according to the mildness of the winter, in February or March. By all means plant this lovely shrub. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.



RHODODENDRON.

Rhododendron.

Everybody has heard of the great beauty of this shrub, although it is seldom seen, on account of its high price. We have had a lot grown in Europe so that we can furnish thrifty young plants very cheap. The plant is an evergreen, retaining its beautiful laurel-like leaves all winter, and in early spring producing enormous clusters of gay flowers of various colors. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Syringa.



SYRINGA.

very dense foliage is of exceeding beauty and value. Flowers same as the Mock Orange. 25c. each.

Mock Orange, a rapid growing, medium-sized shrub, producing in June great masses of snow-white flowers, similar to Orange Blossoms, and having the most delicious fragrance. It is a grand shrub of which one cannot have too much. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Double Pink, new and grand. 30c. each.

Golden-Leaved, an exceedingly ornamental shrub with golden-colored foliage, the color of which it retains throughout the season. It is as rich in color as the best Coleus or other summer-colored foliage bedding plants, and having

Snow-ball.

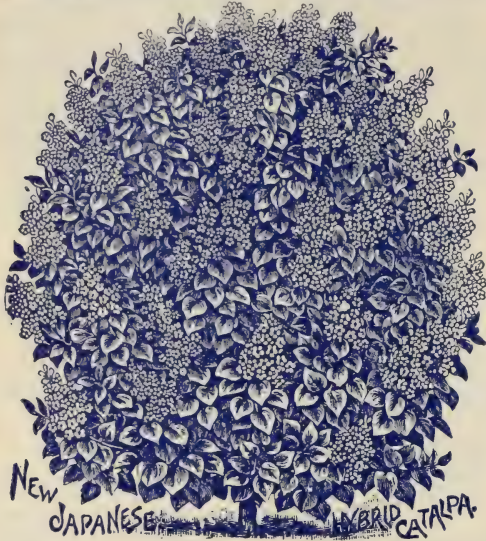
New Double White, grand new variety from Japan, having large, compact balls formed of white blossoms as double and perfect as roses. A great bloomer and sure to create a sensation wherever seen. It is impossible to imagine anything more beautiful than a shrub of this snowball loaded with its great drooping balls of double snow-white flowers. It is a sight which all will stop to enjoy. 30 cents each. 4 for \$1.00.



SNOWBALL, DOUBLE.

Rapid Growing Ornamental Trees.

We are glad to be able to offer at low prices a few of the most desirable trees for ornament and shade. Every home, be it a mansion or cottage, is both beautified and greatly enhanced in value by a few good trees. There are none better than those here offered, and they are mostly such rapid growers that in a very few years they will be large, beautiful and useful. They are strong, healthy young stock, and sent by mail, post-paid, at prices named; by express we can send larger ones. Our customers on the prairies, or any one in any part of the country desiring large, handsome trees, will have them in two or three years if they plant some Catalpas, Paulownia, Russian Mulberries, etc., at once.



Catalpas.

Japanese Hybrid, as an ornamental or useful tree this is of great value, being one of the most rapid growers of all hardy trees, and one of the most beautiful. From the smallest sprouts it will grow in four or five years to a large size. The foliage is dense, large and luxuriant, deep glowing green. It is a most profuse bloomer, being literally loaded with flowers, and remaining in bloom several weeks. The flowers are white, with small purple dots and a touch of yellow around the throat. They have a very pleasant and delicate fragrance, and a tree in bloom not only presents a magnificent spectacle to the eye, but also fills the air for quite a distance with its agreeable odor. Professor Hussman says: "Massive in all its proportions, it looks like a production of the tropical zone, with immense leaves, and followed by immense panicles of flowers, contrasting finely with its dark, massive foliage, it may be truly called a regal tree. Plants the size of small straws sent me through the mail last May, which I planted late in that month, have grown this summer seven feet high. I think it is the fastest growing tree I know. It makes a beautiful object on a lawn, and should be in every one's door-yard." Fine young trees, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 30 for \$2.00; 100 for \$5.00. Seed, 10c. per pkt.

Kempferi, a Japanese sort of upright, rather slender growth, producing freely large clusters of flowers, yellowish, dotted with purple. The flowers are very fragrant, trees remain in bloom a long time, and after the flowers fade they are replaced by great clusters of seed pods, a foot or more in length, which hang to the tree during the whole of the summer, fall and winter, presenting a most odd and unique appearance. The tree is in fact highly ornamental both summer and winter. In growth it is most luxuriant, having great quantities of enormous leaves, which are of a dark purplish green color. Small trees, the second year from seed, bloom well, and it will give great satisfaction grown from seed. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00. Seed, 10c. per pkt.

Paulownia Imperialis.

This is from Japan, and is the handsomest foliage and flowering tree in cultivation, producing heart-shaped leaves several feet across, and making a specimen for the lawn or yard which nothing of the sort can equal. Its flowers appear in early spring before the leaves start, and are borne in great panicles of 30 to 40, large, purplish blue, Gloxinia-like blooms. These great panicles of bloom appear on every branch, robing the tree completely, and it presents the appearance of being in itself one huge bouquet. After the flowers, large round seed pods appear, the size and shape of walnuts, which remain on the tree until it blooms again the next year. Seed, 15c. per pkt. Trees, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

The "Fern Leaf" Tree.

(*Rhus Glabra Laciniata.*)

A beautiful tree of low shrubby growth, making a superb large foliage shrub. Its leaves are like beautiful fern fronds, so finely lacinated and graceful, often two feet in length by ten inches in width. Color very dark green, while the stems are dark ebony red. It also bears large bunches of red berries, and in autumn the leaves color very brightly at the touch of frost. It is one of the very finest ornamental shrubs in cultivation. It is hardy and robust and succeeds in any situation. As a specimen shrub or small tree for the yard or lawn it is grand. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.



Tulip Tree.

This is a most magnificent tree, of rapid and beautiful growth, and bearing in May and June thousands of yellowish white flowers the size and shape of Tulips, from which it derives its name. Plant one or two by all means. You can have nothing more beautiful. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.



GINKGO BILOBA.



Russian Mulberry.

This valuable fruit and ornamental tree was brought to this country from Western Russia by the Mennonites. The tree is a very rapid grower; trees, the seed of which was planted six years ago, are now twenty feet in height, and from six to eight inches in diameter. The tree grows to be very large, often reaching the height of fifty feet, and from three to five feet in diameter, and is perfectly hardy. The fruit has a fine aromatic flavor, and sub-acid sweet taste, and are used for dessert as we use blackberries or raspberries. It is in fact a beautiful, quick-growing tree for the lawn, while the fruit is valuable for table use. Trees come into bearing in 2 or 3 years, each tree bearing bushels of fruit, which, when ripe, falls to the ground, and is eagerly devoured by fowls and pigs, which thrive on it remarkably. In fact it is not only one of the very BEST, but the VERY CHEAPEST food that can be provided for them, and a few trees will sustain a large lot of fowls and pigs for two or three months, as they bear and ripen their fruit for a long period. It is a great and valuable tree for the farmer, and they should be freely planted around chicken yards and pig pens, both for shelter and food.

Price of thrifty young trees, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 30 for \$2.00; 100 for \$5.00; either by mail or express. Larger ones can be sent by express better than by mail.

Seed.—We can supply seed of the Russian Mulberry at 15c. per paper. From seed, trees grow several feet the first year, and fruit in three or four years. They make a fine grove.

Ginkgo Biloba.

This is a most beautiful tree, and a rapid grower. It is known as the Maiden Hair Tree, as its foliage is like that of a Maiden Hair Fern. It is also known as Salisburia. It is much different in appearance from any other tree, and very ornamental indeed with its great profusion of beautiful foliage. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Mountain Ash.

Highly ornamental on account of its large Fern-like leaves and luxurious, rapid growth. The flowers are also beautiful, and in fall the tree is loaded with a mass of bright scarlet berries, which hang in great clusters. Its foliage, flowers and berries all recommend it. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Purple Beech.

The Purple Beech is well known as the finest tree of its kind in cultivation. Its heavy growth of foliage is in color a very dark purple, nearly coal black. It is necessary to see it to fully appreciate its beauty. Think what an odd and beautiful object a tree with black leaves will make. It is splendid when planted with the Van Geert, Golden Leaved Poplar, and the lovely Ginkgo or Maiden Hair Tree. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.

Poplar, Golden Leaved.

The new Van Geert, Golden Leaved Poplar, is a tree of wonderful beauty. Its shining, healthy, tremulous leaves are golden-yellow, making the tree one of the most odd and beautiful it is possible to have for yard or lawn. Splendid contrast to the Purple Beech and other odd colored foliage trees. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

One each of the foregoing 10 Trees, \$2.00.



ROSES for SUMMER and WINTER BLOOMING.

NO FLOWER is so universally popular as the **Rose—the Queen of Flowers**—they are everywhere wanted, are nowhere out of place, are always admired, and are the most valuable of all flowers for bouquets and other floral work. The "Ever Bloomers" are always in bloom, and from a small bed an abundance of beautiful buds can be cut daily. As pot plants for winter bloom they are everywhere cultivated.

THE SECRET OF HAVING GOOD ROSES is in having vigorous and healthy plants. If the health and vigor of a plant is allowed to suffer from the time they are propagated until large enough to be sent out, it will never fully recover, but will always be a weak grower and a poor bloomer. Knowing the importance of this, we use every possible care to produce plants of great strength and vigor, and it is for this reason the plants we send out produce such an *unusual* large amount of the largest and finest flowers. Those who plant our Roses are sure to be delighted with them. Their great superiority over most other Roses usually set out can be seen from the start.

Our complete system of mailing Roses and other plants in strong wooden boxes, insures their carrying to the remotest parts of the Union in perfect order.

ROSES AT TEN CENTS EACH.

To meet competition in cheap Roses we have concluded to reduce the price of our superior high grade stock to 10c. each. Of course small weak plants can be grown at a profit at 10c., but our strong, healthy well rooted stock is worth more, but in offering our plants at that price we have the consolation of knowing that our loss will be our customers gain, so plant them freely. We have provided an immense stock to meet all demands. We do not want part of them left on our hands at the end of the season. Let the orders come.

Everblooming Roses.

The everblooming or Monthly Roses mostly belong to the class known as Teas, and their free flowering qualities make them the most popular of all Roses. Plants begin to bloom when very small and grow rapidly, producing a great profusion of choice flowers all the summer and fall. In pots they bloom nearly the whole year. Nothing makes a finer show bed on the lawn, or in the garden than a mass of Roses, and from a dozen plants a bunch of choice flowers can be cut every day during the entire summer and fall.



EVERBLOOMING ROSE.

Catharine Mermet, one of the finest roses grown. The buds are very large and globular, the petals being recurved and showing to advantage the lovely bright pink of the center, shading into light creamy pink, reminding one of La France in its silvery shading.

Dr. Crill, fine buff pink, passing to fawn, finely suffused with canary yellow. Rich colors and fragrance.

Duchesse de Brabant, few roses equal this in freedom of flowering; none surpass it in either fragrance or vigor; the flowers are rich and peculiarly colored; color rose, heavily shaded with amber and salmon.

Etoile de Lyon, fine bright yellow; a great bloomer. Very robust and hardy. Extra fine.

Francisca Kruger, a large handsome Rose, and one of the very best for open-ground culture. The splendid flowers are deeply shaded copper yellow.

Hermosa, fine clear rose. A grand sort, blooming profusely.

J. B. Varrone, a fine grower; flower large and very double, with high center opening from long buds. Color soft china rose, changing to bright deep carmine of even shading; an extra good rose and very sweet.

Luciole, a grandly beautiful Rose, introduced recently; the flowers are extra large, somewhat cupped form, but quite full and double; color, clear cherry red, with rich golden-yellow center, elegantly shaded.

La Princess Vera, very double and full; immense buds; color pale, changing to salmon rose, shaded with carmine.

Madame Welch, beautiful amber yellow; great size.

Mad. Joseph Schwartz, a strong, vigorous grower, and one of the hardest Tea Roses for outdoor bedding. The flowers are cup-shaped and borne in clusters. Color white, beautifully flushed with pink.

Marie Van Houthe, light canary yellow, very large and of the most delicate beauty.

Madame Hoste, extra large double flowers and superb bud; full and delightfully perfumed. Color, soft canary yellow, deepening at center to pure golden yellow, beautifully flushed with pale amber. Edge and reverse of petals rich creamy white. A truly grand Rose.

Madame de Watteville, growth is vigorous, flowers very sweet, full, and of good form; color creamy yellow, shaded carmine. The petals are large and shell-like, each one having a distinct border of bright carmine. The buds of this variety resemble a Tulip, and are very fragrant.

Marshal Neil, golden yellow; large size and great beauty.

Mad. Pierre Cullott, delicate orange yellow, veined and bordered with pink; fine large pointed buds. A Rose of rare beauty.

Mrs. Dr. Craw, a new Rose of wonderful merit. Color clear bright pink, delightfully fragrant, and a most prodigious bloomer all the time. Hardy, robust, and in all respects one of the grandest everblooming Roses in existence.

May Rivers, creamy white, marked with pink verging into deeper shade of pink; center reddish apricot yellow; flowers large and full.

Marie Cuillot, fine white, tinged yellow; large and very double; extra fine.

Niphetos, pure white, fine bud.

Papa Contier, a new Rose of great beauty. Flowers large and long, with thick broad petals, of a dark, rich carmine color. Deliciously fragrant and a great bloomer.

Perle des Jardins, buds large and full, and of the most beautiful golden yellow color.

Queen's Scarlet, the improved Agrippina. Rich velvety crimson, very double and sweet, and borne in great abundance. We know of no better Rose of its color.

Rainbow, the color is a lovely shade of deep floral pink, striped and mottled in the most unique manner with intense crimson, and elegantly colored with rich, golden amber at center and base of petals. It makes beautiful buds, and the flowers are extra large, very sweet and of great depth and substance.

Souvenir d'un Ami, fine delicate rose, shaded with salmon; very large, full and double, exquisitely fragrant.

Saffrano, saffron yellow. A splendid sort.

Snowflake, a lovely Tea Rose with large waxy-white blossoms. It is a marvelous bloomer, as many as 143 buds and blossoms having been counted on a plant only nine months old. For a pot plant it cannot be excelled.

The Queen, a grand new white Rose, a sport from Souvenir d'un Ami, having the same beautiful long pointed bud, and exquisite fragrance, but in color it is pure snow-white. It is a constant bloomer, and extra fine.

The Bride, the finest of all white Tea Roses. Buds and blossoms are very large and of the most exquisite form, very double, often measuring four inches across.

Waban, a sport from C. Mermet. In foliage and vigor it resembles its parent; flowers borne on long strong stems, in form somewhat larger, and exceeding in size and number of its petals. Color carmine pink shaded brilliantly on the outside petals, color increasing in intensity towards the end of petals, and approaching the center of the bud each petal increases in intensity of color. Reflex petals more delicate in color, but shaded stronger at the end of petal.

Price of all the above, 10c. each, or the 30 for \$2.75.

Hybrid Perpetual Roses.



HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSE.

Though the Hybrid Perpetuals do not bloom as freely as the Teas, they produce the finest and largest flowers, the perfume of which is exquisite. They bloom considerably during the summer and fall, but their greatest season of bloom is June when every plant will be loaded down with such a profusion of buds and blossoms as to resemble a mass of solid color. They are perfectly hardy, thriving from year to year with but little care or attention. Our list comprises the best varieties of this class of Roses to be found.

Anna de Diesbach, dazzling crimson, very large.

Alfred Colomb, extra large, round flowers, very double and full; color, clear cherry red, passing to rich crimson.

Coquette des Blancches, pure snowy white, blooms in large clusters.

General Jacqueminot, intensely velvety scarlet; extra fine.

Magna Charta, rosy pink, flushed with crimson.

Perfection des Blancches, pure white, strong grower, and profuse bloomer, very sweet; extra fine.

Paul Neyron, the flowers are immense; it is probably the largest Rose grown, and one of the finest; bright shining pink, clear and beautiful; very double and full.

Baron de Bonstetten, dark, velvety maroon, very double. **Dinsmore**, a true perpetual, flowering very freely the whole season; flowers large and very double; color deep crimson. The plant is of a dwarf, bushy habit, every shoot producing a bud.

Boule de Neige, a lovely free blooming white variety of great value and beauty.

Francois Levet, a splendid rose, flowering freely and very full; fresh, clear rose, bright and glistening. The flower is large and of fine form.

Prince Camille de Rohan, large, crimson black, rich and velvety.

Lady Emily Fael, white varieties, tinged blush; a fine free bloomer; very sweet.

Mad. Alfred de Rougemont, a vigorous grower, beginning to bloom early and continues until stopped by severe freezing; pure snow-white flowers, finely tinged and clouded with pale rose blush, large, full and double, and borne in large clusters.

Mrs. John Laing, this is the finest hardy Rose of its color. It is an exquisite shade of shell-like pink, deliciously fragrant, of the largest size, and, like the Dinsmore, is entirely hardy and ever-blooming.

Price of the above Hybrid Perpetuals, 10c. each, or the 15 for \$1.40.

Polyanthus Rose.

The Polyanthus or Fairy roses are about the size of a 25 cent piece, and borne in such clusters that the whole plant seems a mass of flowers. They are very sweet-scented and bloom profusely from early summer to late fall. The plants are compact, bushy and quite hardy.

Mignonette, clear pink; very sweet and beautiful.

Pasquerette, fine white, large clusters.

Perle d'Or, fine coppery gold color; elegant bud, very sweet.

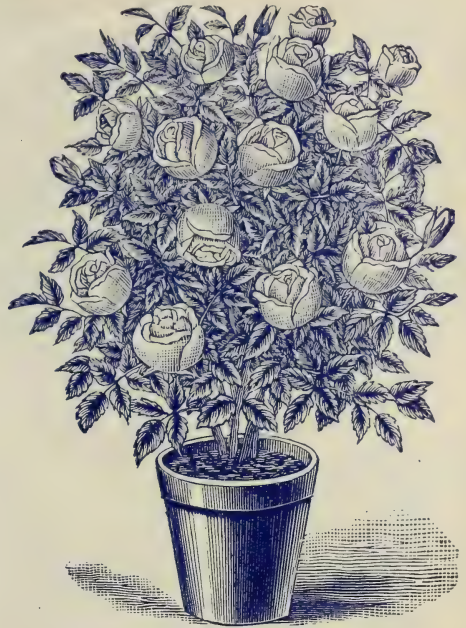
George Pernet, a strong-growing dwarf variety, forming a perfect round bush. It is continually in bloom, the flowers being quite large for this class; the color is bright rose with touches of yellow, and passes to peach-blow with silvery white shadings.

Glorie de Polyanthus, large, very double and sweet, fine citron rose, flushed with carmine.

Chlotilde Soupert, it is impossible to do this fine sort justice by a description. It is of the Polyanthus type, but large and very double, and the flowers appear in such enormous clusters that they are really large panicles of bloom. Color, fine pearly white, shaded with lovely soft peach in the center. It blooms freely when plants are very small, and continues in the greatest profusion at all times. Either as a garden or pot rose it is extra fine.

Blanche Rebatel, plant vigorous and compact in growth. It blooms constantly and profusely during the whole season, and in color is entirely distinct from all other Polyanthus. It blooms in large clusters, bearing from thirty to forty flowers on each shoot. Color deep crimson, flushed with rose.

Price 10c. each.



HYBRID TEA ROSE.

Hybrid Tea Roses.

A new class of hardy monthly Roses, producing flowers as large and fragrant as the Hybrid Perpetuals, with the delicate colors and free flowering qualities of the Teas.

La France, pale peach, with fine rose center; a constant bloomer; extra fine.

Duchess of Albany, a magnificent Rose of great size and beauty. It is a sport from La France, and its color is the deepest shade of pink, with a satiny lustre. Exceedingly fragrant and perfect form.

Madame Schwallier, blooms in large clusters; large globular flowers; color transparent salmon rose; very delicate and tender, petals finely edged with violet carmine, highly perfumed; plant is a vigorous grower, good habit.

Meteor, a rich, dark, velvety crimson, everblooming Rose, as fine in color as the best of the Hybrid Perpetuals; the flowers are of good size, very double and perfect in shape, either as buds or when fully opened; the plant is vigorous and remarkably free flowering. A splendid sort for pot culture, and the best of all the Hybrid Teas as a bedding variety for summer cut flowers, as it retains its color well even in the hottest weather, with no shade of purple to mar its beauty.

Antoine Verdlor, bright silvery rose, shaded rich carmine; flowers very freely the entire season; extra fine.

American Beauty, this superb Rose was introduced a few years ago, but is yet very scarce. It is as free a bloomer as a Tea, as large as the largest Hybrid Perpetuals, and has the superb fragrance of the Moss, a combination that stands alone without a rival. Color deep brilliant pink, with a center richly shaded with carmine.

Triumph de Pernet Pere, flowers large, double and of heavy texture; buds long and nicely pointed, fine bright red. A continuous and abundant bloomer. Excellent for bedding and cutting.

Price of above Hybrid Teas, 10c. each.

Climbing Roses.

Climbing Roses are very beautiful for trellises, fences, old trees, arbors or training over doors or windows. Their flowers are large and showy and borne in great profusion. They grow rapidly and are perfectly hardy everywhere.

Baltimore Belle, pale blush, profuse bloomer; very fine.

Tennessee Belle, a strong, vigorous climber and free bloomer, bright rosy blush; large, full and fragrant.

Seven Sisters, large clusters, no two alike; white to crimson.

Queen of the Prairie, clear bright pink, large and full.

Relne, Maria Henrietta, a fine perpetual blooming climber, though not quite so hardy as the others. Flowers fine dark crimson, of great beauty and fragrance, and borne profusely all the summer. Price 10c. each.



The Black Rose.

King of Sweden (the Black Rose), this wonderful new Hybrid Perpetual Rose was raised in France, and first offered by us last year; we have contracted for the stock of it. It is an extra, strong vigorous grower, flowers large and double, and of the darkest, velvety, crimson-black color yet seen in any Rose. It is very sweet-scented and of perfect shape, and the richest colored sort yet introduced. Blooms when plants are very small. Fine plants 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

The Striped Rose.

Vick's Caprice (the Striped Rose), this is the best, and in fact the only Striped Rose of value. Its great beauty it is impossible to describe. It is a Hybrid Perpetual, commencing to bloom when very small, and producing flowers of enormous size, which are perfectly double to the center, and of perfect form. It is very fragrant and its color is a deep satiny pink, with numerous wide stripes of pure white, making the most odd and unique Rose in cultivation. Strong plants 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Moss Roses.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for \$1.00.



The Moss Rose Bud is the most exquisitely beautiful of all Roses. It is the Queen of Queens. Moss Roses are perfectly hardy, and grow in any soil as freely as ordinary Roses.

- Countess de Murinais**, pure white, extra fine.
- Henry Martin**, fine rosy pink.
- Bianche Moreau**, this fine, double, pure white Moss Rose blooms all summer.
- Luxembourg**, fine deep crimson, very mossy.

Princess Adelalde, beautiful bright pink; superb.

Glorious Malmaison Rose.

Price, 20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

It will be impossible to find three more beautiful Roses than these Glorious Malmaisons. The blush variety is well-known, and now that the red and yellow varieties have been added to it, it makes a trio which cannot be surpassed. They are ever-bloomers, the blossoms being of great size, as large as a Hybrid Perpetual and double and perfect to the very center. The full open flower is as handsome as the half open bud. Their fragrance is unexcelled and they are hardy enough to stand the winter, and bloom profusely all the summer and fall. Do not miss these grand roses. Plant all three of them and see them in their full glory.



- Blush Malmaison**, soft light satin pink or blush.
- Red Malmaison**, fine, large, deep red.
- Yellow Malmaison**, deep golden yellow; superb.

Mary Washington Rose.

It is an historic fact that a hundred years ago George Washington raised in his garden at Mount Vernon, a seedling Rose, which proved to be a hardy perpetual blooming climber, producing large, double snow white blossoms in great profusion, from June until frost. In this lovely Rose our first President took special delight, and named it after his mother, Mary Washington. All this is told us by the Mount Vernon (Washington's old home) guide-book. The original bush can yet be seen growing on the grounds where its world-famed master planted it, and is to-day protected and cared for by an incorporated association. It is a strange thing that this most valuable of all roses has stood a hundred years without even being propagated or finding its way to the public. Yet it is a fact that we are the first to offer as new, the OLDEST American Rose, the first and finest of its class, and raised and named by him who was "First in peace, first in war, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." We have grown to be the greatest nation on earth, and we may well plant and cherish the Rose which our great Washington left us, as the truest and best emblem of our remembrance and appreciation of his greatness. We hope in time to see it trailing over the door or gateway of every home in the land, and it should bloom wherever a revolutionary hero reposes. Aside from the fact that this Rose was raised and named by George Washington, it is the most valuable sort that has been introduced for many years. A hardy, perpetual blooming climber has long been needed. Its flowers are large, pure white, perfectly double to the center, sweet, and borne in endless numbers



PURE WHITE

PERPETUAL BLOOMING

HARDY CLIMBER

"MARY WASHINGTON ROSE"

"NAMED AND RAISED BY GEO. WASHINGTON"

all summer. It is a vigorous and rapid grower, and must at once become the most valuable Rose for out-door culture. Its buds are as beautiful as the finest Tea Roses, borne on long stems and usually in large clusters. Our plant of the Mary Washington will produce more flowers than a dozen Tea Roses. Its fragrance is tinged with the old fashioned musky flavor so much admired in olden times. It will commence blooming immediately after planting and the smallest plant will produce hundreds, and even thousands of flowers the first summer. Our stock is genuine, the original cuttings having come from the bush at Mt. Vernon. Beware of spurious stock.

Fine plants, for blooming this summer, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

TWO GREAT SPECIAL OFFERS IN ROSES.

Fifteen Roses for \$1.00.

After May first we will send 15 Roses for \$1.00, all named, but our selection from such kinds as we have in surplus, including Everbloomers, Climbers, Hybrid Perpetuals, Hybrid Teas, Polyanthus, etc. This collection cannot be sent out before May first, but orders for it can be booked at any time. It is the greatest Rose offer ever made.

Five Grand New Roses for \$1.00.

AS FOLLOWS:

- ONE CHILDS' JEWEL.** See cover.
- ONE CHAMPION OF THE WORLD.** See cover.
- ONE KING OF SWEDEN.** See page 126.
- ONE VICK'S CAPRICE.** See page 126.
- ONE MARY WASHINGTON.**

All fine plants, by mail, post-paid, for one dollar. This is more good new Roses for \$1.00 than was ever offered before.

ESTABLISHED CACTI.

We say **ESTABLISHED**, as the Plants we offer are all pot grown, with plenty of roots, acclimated, strong and vigorous, and every one will live and flourish. One each of these 24 Cacti, \$5.00.

THE CACTI is a most curious, beautiful, and rare class of plants, and are admired wherever flowers are loved and grown. When once established no plant is easier to manage or more satisfactory in results. Our collection embraces only the most desirable kinds, and of many of these we have the finest stock in the country. Cacti are fast becoming one of the most popular of all pot plants, and well do they deserve it, for they are both curious and beautiful, and very easily grown. In pots give them clear sand and rich soil mixed half and half, and water sparingly. They will live months without a drop of water. For bedding out in summer plant them in a sandy soil and an exposed sunny situation. A few Cacti prove a most interesting feature to any collection of plants.



CEREUS GRANDIFLORA.

Cereus Grandiflora, the true Night Blooming Cereus from the Miter Mountains of Mexico. Has deliciously fragrant white flowers a foot across, and of a fascinating beauty impossible to describe. It is a rapid grower and free bloomer. If we were asked to name the handsomest flower that blooms we should say the true Night Blooming Cereus. Its delicate beauty is unsurpassed. Fine plants 20c. each.

Mac Donaldi, like the above, except the flowers are larger in size, and of a delicate straw yellow color. Superb. 30c. each.

Rostratus, of this rare sort, the enormous flowers are a beautiful wine red color outside, lighter within. It is grand to contrast with the above white and yellow sorts. 20c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER—One each of the above three great Night Blooming Cereus for only 60c.

The following 5 lovely sorts are the flat-stemmed Cereus, some night, and some day bloomers.

The Queen Cactus (*Phyllocactus Latifrons*), this grand Cactus grows several feet high, with large, flattened stems. The flowers appear at evening and last all night, and are the grandest of all night blooming plants, being of enormous size, nearly one foot across, and of the purest white color, delicately shaded pink outside, with a most lovely form and texture. It is not unusual for a large plant to have 30 to 100 of these enormous flowers open at once. It blooms freely every year and is indeed a rare plant for any one to possess.



PHYLLOCACTUS.

We have a very fine stock, and offer strong plants at the extremely low price of 20c. each.

Phyllocactus Jenkensoni, a fitting companion to the above. The enormous flowers are rich crimson, with a delicate purple shading toward the center. The flowers keep perfect several days, and it is not uncommon for a good plant to have more than 100 flowers open at once. It is one of the most popular and beautiful of all Cactus. 15c. each.

Phyllocactus Speciosa, much like Queen Cactus, except the flowers are smaller and light pink in color. A lovely free bloomer. 25c. each.

Phyllocactus Hookeri, much the same as Queen Cactus, but a smaller grower, dwarf and compact. 20c. each.

Phyllocactus Ackermani, this rare sort is in all respects like Jenkensoni, except in color, and perhaps a little larger. It is of a bright deepscarlet, so rich and beautiful that it is impossible to properly describe it. Our stock is true and pure. 30c. each.

The above 5 fine Phyllocactus for only 75c.

King Cactus (*Cereus Speciosissima*), the enormous flowers are rich crimson with a delicate purple shading toward the center. The flowers keep perfect several days and it is not uncommon for a good sized plant to have more than 100 of these gigantic flowers open at once. 50c. each.

Cereus Triangularis, this is not a free bloomer, but the great beauty of its flowers make up for this scarcity. Flowers pure white, measuring 12 to 14 inches across, and are the largest and finest of all night-blooming Cactus. 25c. each.



ECHINOCACTUS CAESPITOSUS.

Echinocactus Caespitosus, this is one of the most charming Mexican species, and nearly always blooms in a few weeks after planting. Even when only one or two inches high it will produce one or more of its lovely flowers. It is bright magenta in color, double, and three inches across. Don't fail to plant this lovely sort. 30c. each.

Echinopsis, several varieties, all grand and much alike; color white to pink, and the lovely flowers are 8 to 16 inches in length and nearly a foot across. A magnificent Cactus which will greatly please all who grow it. 40c. each.

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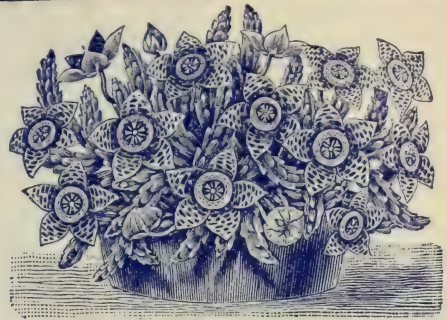


Rainbow Cactus (*E. Candicans*)—The plant is covered with a net-work of spines which range in color from creamy white to deep crimson, hence its name "rainbow." It is a most beautiful plant at all times, but when in bloom its grandeur is unsurpassed, having flowers four inches across, bright crimson with a white center. It blooms profusely and is of the easiest culture in pots. The great beauty of the plant itself, combined with the enormous size and beauty of the flowers, make what we consider to be the most charming Cacti in cultivation; and one of the most rare and lovely of all plants to possess. Fine large plants, 30c. each; larger, 50c. each; extra large and fine \$1.00 each.



RHIPSALIS MESEMBRYANTHEMOIDES.

Rhipsalis Mesembryanthemoides, a rare and fine Cactus, composed of small, short jointed stems, which are covered more or less with tufts of fine white hair. When in bloom it is literally covered with hundreds of beautiful white blossoms. A very odd and interesting plant. 20c.
Rhipsalis Crispa, exactly like *R. Pachyptera*, except smaller in size of leaf and growth, and having flowers of a lovely straw-color. 20c. each.
Rhipsalis Pachyptera, this has large flattened leaves or stems like a Queen Cactus, only they are of a very dark color. The flowers, which are formed like a night-blooming *Cereus* and produced by the 100, are small and appear in a closely set row all around the edges of the leaves, presenting one of the most odd and unique sights that can be found among flowers. They are white in color and very beautiful, lasting many days before fading. 30c. each.
Rhipsalis Sallconoides, another sort of even more curious growth than the above. 15c. each.



STAPELLA VARIEGATA.

Cereus Colubrinus, a grand sort, growing in a straight column to several feet in height, and covered with beautiful whitish spines. It bears most lovely white flowers of enormous size and great beauty, followed by the large fruit, almost the color and size of an orange. 25c. each.
Epiphyllum Truncatum, this is the well-known Crab or Lobster Cactus, the branches composed of short jointed pieces and drooping. The flowers are bright crimson, very showy, and at times borne in endless numbers. 15c. each.
Epiphyllum Coccineus, rare sort with dark scarlet flowers. A profuse bloomer and very showy. It makes fine specimen plants which show finely beside the old variety. 50c.
Mamillaria Decliensis, this is one of the easiest of all Cacti to grow, as it will stand any amount of rough usage, and produce freely its large showy yellow blossoms, which keep perfect several days before fading. 15c. each.
Mamillaria Pusilla, this beautiful little Cactus is always admired for its bright silvery spines, which radiate in the sun. It forms fine clusters in a comparative short time, and consequently can be readily propagated; flowers yellowish white, with a red stripe through center of petal. 15c. each.
Stapella Variegata, a most curious and beautiful flower, which is star-shaped and of leathery texture, dark snuff yellow with maroon spots. The odd and curious color of these large blossoms is exceedingly striking. Flowers appear at all times of the year. One of the easiest grown and most desirable of all Cacti. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.



PILOCEREUS SENILIS.

Pilocereus Senilis, the "Old Man" Cactus is one of the curiosities of plant life which always attract attention, and its appearance is certainly sufficiently strange to excite some surprise. *Pilocereus Senilis* derives both its botanical and popular names from the large number of long, silvery white hairs which cover the upper portion of its stem, and impart a peculiar resemblance to the hoary head of an aged man. These hairs attain the length of several inches, and instead of spreading regularly, or projecting rigidly, as in other members of the family, they are flaccid and pendulous, thickly clothing the stem. It is one of the rarest and most sought after of all Cacti. Fine plants, 75c., \$1.00 and \$1.50 each, according to size.

SPECIAL OFFER—For only \$5 we will send one fine plant each of the 24 rare Cacti here offered.

Cacti Seed.

Growing Cacti from seed affords untold interest and pleasure. Sow under glass in light sandy soil. We offer a grand mixture of many fine sorts at 20c. per pkt.



Fuchsias.

The Fuchsia is probably the most graceful and beautiful of all window plants. It has a beauty peculiar to itself, the elegant drooping blossoms of various forms, sizes and colors, and clean healthy foliage give the plant a grace and neatness which is unsurpassed. We make a specialty of this elegant plant, and offer below the most beautiful and charming sorts in cultivation. As the introducer of "Storm King," we claim the credit of giving to the public the grandest flowering plants in existence. Fuchsias do best when planted in pots and plunged in the ground along the north side of a fence or building during summer, where they will flower very nicely and can be lifted and brought in for winter blooming without checking their growth in the least. The following are the best and most distinct sorts:

Price, 20c. each, 3 for 50c., or the 8 for \$1.

Storm King, The above cut is a true photograph of a plant of Childs' Double Perpetual Flowering Weeping Fuchsia "Storm King," introduced by us, and is the finest flowering plant of the age. It is always in bloom, often as many as 200 buds and blossoms on a plant at once. The branches droop most gracefully, and the blossoms are frequently as large as teacups. The buds, for two weeks before they expand, are balls of glowing scarlet crimson. When expanded the enormous double flowers are almost pure white, capped by a calyx of glowing scarlet; and when a plant is loaded with buds and blossoms it presents a sight which for true grandeur and beauty no flower can surpass. They are of the easiest culture and will grow and bloom freely with ordinary care in any window or garden.

Speciosa, flowers long and graceful, color light and dark pink. Free winter bloomer.

Countess of Aberdeen, sepals and corolla both white. The first and only pure white Fuchsia. Very fine.

Mrs. E. C. Hill, enormous double white flowers with shining red sepals. A free bloomer and one of the very best.

Molesworth, enormous size, sepals red, corolla white, very double and fine.

Pres. Carnot, sepals wine color, corolla violet, large and double. A superb sort.

Procumbens, (trailing) as a Fuchsia this is indeed a novel and interesting sort, and one of great value and beauty, especially for hanging pots and baskets. It is probably the prettiest trailing plant in existence. The mass of wavy vines covered with pretty leaves, bright flowers and red berries hanging over the sides of a pot, basket or vase are exceedingly attractive. The flowers are small and show several colors, the anthers being blue. The seed vessels grow to the size and shape of robins eggs and change from green to deep crimson red, and in this showy condition hang to the vine for six months or longer, and are one of the principal beauties of the plant.

It also grows freely in the open ground, and is hardy in most parts of the country, losing its leaves in winter, but retaining its bright berries, and in spring commencing a fresh growth of foliage and flowers.



FUCHSIA PHENOMENAL.

Phenomenal, the new Giant Fuchsia. This is a new sort of great merit. The plant is a tall, strong grower, branching like a tree. Its flowers are of enormous size, as large as teacups and very double; sepals scarlet, corolla rich violet purple.



Geraniums.

NEW DOUBLE GERANIUM "JUPITER."

Best Single Sorts.

From the large list of splendid new double and single Geraniums now offered, we have selected a few as being particularly fine, and which can be furnished at a low price. They are of recent introduction, and have received universal praise which they justly merit. They all produce very large flowers and trusses, which are of the most vivid colors and free flowering qualities. It is useless for us to say anything in praise of this showy flower. For bedding or for pot culture they are everywhere popular. We will only say that the improvement in Geraniums during the past five years has been very great, and the varieties here offered will surprise those who have not seen the best new sorts.

Price of all Geraniums on this page, 15c. each, 3 for 40c. 8 for \$1.

Best Double Sorts.

- La Favorite**, this is the best double-white Geranium ever introduced. Many extra fine plants have some weakness — this has not — being a strong grower, profuse bloomer, and reliable in always coming perfect in color and substance. The trusses are very large, flowers beautifully formed and of the purest white.
- Reumberta**, it is a large double flower borne profusely in immense trusses, its color being a light yellowish orange scarlet, the nearest approach to a pure yellow yet seen in Geraniums.
- Jupiter**, enormous double flower of the richest dark vermilion.
- Mars**, large double flower glowing amaranth scarlet, rayed with intense violet scarlet, and orange yellow center.
- Bruant**, intense scarlet, free bloomer.
- B. K. Bliss**, vivid scarlet, one of the very largest and best.
- Grand Chancellor Faldherbe**, deep crimson maroon.
- Hoff Beach**, deep amaranth, shaded purple.
- Peach Blossom**, elegant blush.
- Queen of the Fairies**, beautiful light pink.
- Sunlight**, intense fiery salmon.
- White Swan**, a new variety of a dwarf bushy habit, bearing in great profusion large trusses of large, double, snow-white flowers, which are exceedingly perfect and beautiful.

- Souvenir de Mirande**, Flowers round, trusses large, upper petals pure white with a delicate edge of soft salmon rose, lower petals bright salmon rose with light shadings, large white center; plant, a free short-jointed grower and a remarkable free bloomer.
- Venus**, beautiful large single flower of perfect shape, and light orange scarlet color. The finest single Geranium in existence, either for bedding or pots.
- Mrs. Benedick**, new, offered now for the first time. The finest of all single whites. Large flower, enormous truss, pure color, great substance, and a profuse bloomer.
- Jasper**, salmon.
- M. Chevreul**, a splendid sort; violet red.
- Mrs. Garfield**, finest pure white.
- Mrs. Windsor**, bluish white, with large scarlet eye; splendid.
- S. C. Cobb**, beautiful floret, with slightly overlapping petals; a sturdy grower with heavily zoned foliage; large showy truss on long stems; the two upper petals are white one-half the distance from the center; the other half is bright pink; the other three petals are bright pink, dotted near center with many tiny points of bright red.
- Madonna**, bright green foliage of good substance, making a splendid background for the flower, which is the very softest shade of pale pink; the florets are large, and are arranged in handsome showy trusses.

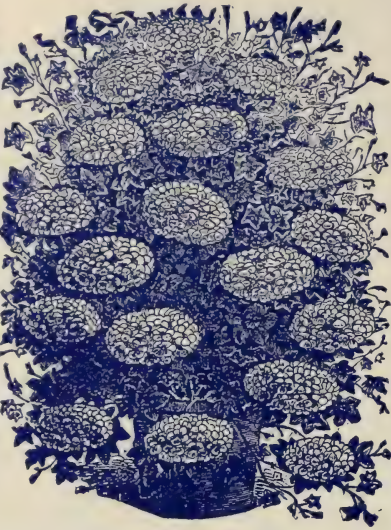
Sweet-Scented Varieties.

No flower garden is complete without a few sweet-scented varieties; they are indispensable for cutting to place among flowers in the house, whether in quantities or only a few. The easy manner in which they are grown makes them favorites. We offer below the two most popular kinds.

- Rose-Scented**, with large leaves; the true variety.
- Nutmeg-Scented**, the true variety.
- Lemon-Scented**, very fine.
- Fern-Leaved**, lovely cut foliage, and highly fragrant.
- White-Leaved, Madame Sallerol**, one of the most beautiful little plants we have ever seen. It grows in rounded clumps about six inches high, forming a perfect picture of deep green and silvery white.

New Double-Flowered Ivy-Leaved Geraniums.

This magnificent new form of Geraniums recently introduced from England and France, is one of the most glorious gems of the floral world. Its bright, glossy, ivy-like leaves, graceful and trailing habit, and numerous trusses of large, double gay colored flowers combine to form an object of the most striking contrasts and beauty. Always robust and healthy, they are of the easiest culture either in pots, hanging baskets, or the open ground, in windows, conservatories or the garden.



- Jeanne d'Arc**—Pure white, very double and fine.
- La Rosaire**—Fine rose.
- Souv. Chas. Turner**—One of the handsomest Ivy Geraniums ever introduced. Flowers $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches, in trusses 6 inches across. The color is a deep bright pink approaching scarlet in color; the upper petals feathered maroon.
- Le Printemps**—Extra fine rosy pink.

20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.



PLEROMA SPLENDENS

Pleroma Splendens.

This is a new plant which flowers at all times of the year, and is especially valuable for winter decoration. Wherever it has been grown it has given the greatest satisfaction, and one hears nothing but praise said of it. We have had it several years, and now offer it for the first time. Its blossoms are borne freely, and are very large and showy, of a rich purple-blue color. A plant is never too small to bloom, and will in time grow to be several feet tall and branch freely. They are desirable either as pot plants for summer and winter bloom, or for bedding out during summer like a Lantana or Heliotrope. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

New Golden Bronze Tricolor.



GERANIUM CHAMELEON.

Chameleon—This is superior to all others, not only in brilliancy of color, but for healthy growth, and standing the sun and all kinds of treatment without changing color. It is fifty per cent. better than Mrs. Pollock, its leaves being large, rayed and banded with scarlet, gold, green pink, &c. A superb plant. 50 cents each.



A WIGWAG OF MOONFLOWERS AT FLORAL PARK.

Moonflowers.

These are valuable rapid growing climbers of great beauty and value. The three planted together make a lovely contrast, and will give an abundance of shade and protection.

Ipomœa Noctiphylon, (Common Moonflower, or Evening Glory), flowers pure white, four to five inches in diameter. Very rapid grower and free bloomer. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen. Seed, 10c. per pkt.

Ipomœa Learel (the Blue Moonflower), this is a grand companion for the white variety. It is similar in all respects, except the color, which is a lovely satin blue with crimson bars. When grown with the white one the effect is grand. 20c. each. Seed, 15c. per pkt.

Ipomœa Mexicana (the Satin or Tuberous-Rooted Moonflower), this is unlike all the others, as it blooms during the day time, and has a strong tuberous root like a Dahlia, which can be wintered in a cellar. Its leaves are also beautifully divided. The flowers are of a violet-crimson color, and look like a piece of rich satin. It is very rapid in growth, the tubers giving it an early and strong start, which makes its season of usefulness the longest of any climber of its class. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 50c. we will send one plant each.



BEGONIA.

Flowering Begonias.

- The following are nearly all perpetual bloomers, and are among the finest free blooming pot plants that can be had.
- Thurstoni**, new; evidently a cross between Rubra and Metallica; leaves large and beautiful, deep blood-red underneath and glossy shining deep blackish green above. It is a distinct and beautiful plant. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.
 - Rubra**, strong grower, with large handsome leaves and great drooping raceme like panicles of bright scarlet bloom. A free and perpetual bloomer. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.
 - Metallica**, blossoms pink, leaves large and hairy, having a peculiar metallic lustre. A superb foliage plant. 15c. each.
 - Alba Picta**, delicate drooping cluster of white flowers, and long narrow leaves which are fine green, thickly spotted with silvery-white. 15c. each.
 - Welt**, Alba, flowers white, and a great bloomer; leaves delicate and handsome. 15c. each.
 - Saundersonia**, always full of bloom, beautiful and graceful clusters on long stems. Color intense scarlet. 15c. each.
 - Ingraham**, much like the above, except the flowers are pink. 20c. each.
 - Snowflake**, free and constant bloomer. Pure white, 20c. each.
 - Rex**, there are many varieties of Rex, all with large leaves of most peculiar and fascinating beauty. As specimen pot plants nothing in the way of foliage decoration can surpass them. Our stock is fine, including all the best sorts. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

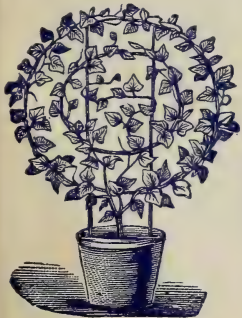
For \$1.50 we will send one plant of the nine sorts.



Variegated Ivies.

Here we offer two varieties of the common English Ivy which are truly magnificent, as their large dark green leaves are variegated with beautiful blotches, one white and the other yellow. For baskets, windows, etc., they are magnificent.

- Yellow Blotched**, beautiful large yellow variegations
- White Blotched**, beautiful large white variegations. 25c. each; the two for 40c.



Oxalis Ortgiesi.

Few new plants will give better satisfaction than this, as it is a perpetual bloomer in every sense of the word. It is in full bloom every day in the year, when grown in a pot of good soil and with ordinary care. It grows as freely as a geranium, in any situation. It is a shrubby plant, like a fuchsia without bulbs, in which respect it differs from other Oxalis. It grows 12 to 18 inches in height, branching freely, and loaded at all times with clusters of bright golden star-shaped flowers, which do not close at night like other Oxalis. Beautiful as the flowers are, it is still a splendid plant without them, on account of its highly ornamental foliage. The leaves are three lobed, dark olive-green above, and a beautiful shining metallic crimson-purple underneath, with wine-colored stems. This makes it a truly novel plant, as well as a very beautiful one, and it is surprising to see what attention it will attract. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Mexican Peperomia.

A new Mexican plant. It is a lovely trailer, to be used as one would use the old "Wandering Jew." It makes an attractive trailing or creeping vine, as its leaves are exceedingly beautiful, being a dark velvety-greenish black, freely blotched with silver. It is very beautiful for any position where a trailing plant can be used. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Three Splendid Ferns.

- Sword Fern**, a magnificent sort with beautiful fronds, often 4 to 5 feet in length, a hardy robust grower, and valuable for pots, baskets, vases, or the garden. 20c. each.
- Walking Fern**, a very rare and curious hardy fern, suitable either for pot or open ground culture. It is known as the "Walking" Fern from the fact that its leaves run out to a long slender point, which strikes in the ground and takes root, a new plant springing up, and in like manner establishing another plant a foot or more away. In this way they will walk quite a distance in the course of a season. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.
- Polypodium Aureum** (Hare's Foot Fern), a large and noble Fern, with immense fronds. Grows best in pots or clumps of moss or fibre, with but little soil. 20c. each.

The three sorts for 50c.



Zamia.

A rare and beautiful Palm, producing a short stump or bulb much the shape of a turnip. From the top of this stump long graceful dark green leaves shoot out to the length of two or three feet. It is a superb thing for window or mantel decoration, as it will grow freely without sunlight. Its great beauty makes it very valuable and much sought after, and good specimens often sell at city florists' stores for \$10 to \$20 each. We have never seen it offered in Europe less than \$4 each. We have been fortunate enough to secure a very large stock of beautiful young bulbs which we can offer remarkably low, much lower, it is safe to say, than you will ever again be able to buy it. It is one of the rarest and most beautiful plants any one can add to their collection. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.



HELIOTROPE.

Heliotrope.

- The Heliotrope is a favorite pot plant on account of its panicles of lovely sweet blossoms. It is not however seen at its best in pots. Planted out of doors in a good sunny situation over summer it is perfectly magnificent, being loaded with large clusters of bloom all the time. Try a few plants in the garden, and you will be delighted with the result.
- Albert Delaux**, a superb sort, having beautiful yellowish leaves and large clusters of violet colored blossoms. Fine for garden or pots.
- Mme. Ad. Dubouche**, foliage very dark green; habit compact and shrubby; trusses enormous, soft and mossy looking; color, velvety-violet. One of the most beautiful Heliotropes ever introduced. Odor exquisite.
- Queen of the Violets**, of the deepest violet-purple, with large, almost pure white eye, and very fragrant.
- Fleur D'Ete**, a new pure white variety of strong robust growth, with large trusses of very fragrant flowers. 20c. each; the 4 for 60c.



AIR PLANT.

Pine Apple Air Plant.

In this we have a most ornamental and unique hanging plant. Unlike other plants it requires neither soil nor fertilizer, its roots serving only to fasten itself to the branches of trees, while it derives all its nourishment from the air. Secure the plants to a forked stick, piece of bark, wire frame, bunch of moss or anything of the sort, and suspend them in a window, and they make one of the most attractive objects that can be had. The leaves are very beautiful, grayish green, long and pointed, and curve and droop most gracefully. It is of the easiest growth, and will thrive in any window, requiring only a good sprinkling of water once or twice a week. When a plant attains a good size it will bloom, producing a large forked panicle as seen in the cut. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



VIOLET, SWANLEY WHITE.

Sweet Violets.

Of all the delightful perfumes, that of the Sweet Violet is the most delicate and pleasing. If grown in the house for winter flowers, they should be kept at a low temperature, as they will not bloom freely where it is too warm. If left in the open ground during the winter, they should be protected with a covering of leaves to prevent too frequent thawing and freezing. The following are the finest.

Price, 15c. each; 4 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.25.

Swanley White, in pots it grows luxuriantly and is loaded with flowers. In the garden it is hardy with slight protection, and greets us in early spring with a profusion of its large, snowy, sweet-scented blossoms. The growth of the plant is vigorous and healthy, bearing in great numbers very large, perfectly double flowers of pure snowy whiteness and unexcelled fragrance. They can be grown in pots or in the open ground. If desired particularly for winter flowering they do best if planted out in the spring and potted in September, and if the buds are pinched off during the summer the plants will be all the stronger for winter. It is not uncommon for a plant to have as many as fifty large flowers open at once, and they present a beautiful sight and perfume a whole room.

Marla Louise, to contrast with the white we offer this fine double, deep bluish purple, sweet-scented variety, recently introduced. Desirable for pots or the garden, plants hardy and bloom almost as freely as the white, especially in winter and spring. Flowers large and sweet.

Mad. Millet, a fine bluish color having a decided reddish cast. It is called the red violet, and is the nearest to a red color of any sort. It is fine to grow in contrast with the others.

Comte Brazza, a new double white variety, flowers large and fragrant.

Duchess of Edinburgh, delicate lavender mauve, tinted azure blue, with pure white centers.

Alaska, a grand new sort, very hardy and well adapted to garden culture, being hardy and robust and producing in spring great masses of enormous double flowers of a deep blue-black color and powerful fragrance. A superb thing, especially for the garden.

Queen Victoria, single dark purple flowers, very large, measuring one and a quarter inches across; exceedingly fragrant. A very fine and valuable sort.



Tradescantia Multicolor.

This is a beautiful trailing vine, the foliage of which is composed of many colors, bronze, silver, pink, gray, rose, crimson, etc. It is very beautiful, and will grow in any part of any light room, whether the sun strikes it or not. It grows rapidly and propagates freely. Very beautiful for decorating. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.



PASSIFLORAS PFORDTI.

Passifloras.

All have heard of the great beauty of the Passion flowers, though but very few have seen them in bloom, as they are by no means common. They are elegant, rapid growing vines, adapted to window and greenhouse culture, or in the open ground during summer. The flowers are beautiful beyond description.

Pfordti, the most beautiful of all Passifloras, having flowers 5 to 6 inches across, and borne profusely at all times, even on very small vines not over 1 to 2 feet. As you look at an open flower you see the sepals are pearly white, while the broad petals are of a lovely violet pink. The numerous stamens are dark blue, with two or three rings of white near the base, below which is a dark brown color. It is difficult to imagine a more lovely flower. Fine plants which will soon bloom, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Constance Elliott, a most valuable novelty. Vine a rapid grower, short jointed and quite hardy. It will winter in the open ground as far North as Massachusetts with slight protection. The flowers are of medium size, ivory white in color and exquisitely fragrant. It commences to bloom when very small, and the smallest plants will bloom in a very short time after planting. Grand as a pot plant for window culture. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



SALVIA COMPACTA.

Salvia Compacta.

A new dwarf form of the old and highly esteemed Splendens which is an acquisition in every sense of the word. Plant of low bushy growth, rarely exceeding eighteen inches, and covered all of the time with large spikes of dark scarlet bloom, deeper and richer than the old tall variety. It is a superb pot plant for winter or summer blooming, and equally valuable for bedding. No Geranium can compare with it for brilliancy, and it is at all times full of bloom. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.; 10 for \$1.



Filifera Palm.

Palm, Washingtonia Filifera.

A beautiful Palm is one of the finest additions that can be made to any collection of plants, but the high prices of the best varieties have prevented most people from possessing one. Then, again, there are but few of the best sorts which succeed well with ordinary window culture. It is therefore with pleasure that we are now able to offer one of the most beautiful sorts in existence, and one that is hardy and robust enough to succeed anywhere, at a price which brings it within the reach of all. It has elegant dark green, fan-shaped leaves, from which hang thread-like filaments as seen in the cut. The plant is a compact grower, well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation, and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will flourish in any window for anybody, making a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a veranda, or be placed in any shady place about the garden or yard, or used for a center in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. All Palms of the fan-leaved sorts have, when young, leaves of a long, narrow shape, developing the round fan-shaped ones as they grow older. Therefore, when you get your plants and see long leaves instead of round ones, do not think that a wrong sort has been sent you. Strong plants 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Seed—The seed of this magnificent Palm is easily grown and sure to germinate. Per paper, 15c.

Solanum Jasminoides Grandiflora.

A most beautiful new plant, which inclines to a trailing or climbing habit, but never attains a greater height than 3 to 5 feet, and can be pinched back to a bush form. Its flowers are star-shaped, like a Clematis, and borne in enormous panicles or clusters, often a foot across. In color they are pure white, with a violet tinge on back of petals, and on the buds. In pots it is a fine bloomer both summer and winter; but its grandeur for out-door culture, when trained against a wall or trellis, and showing hundreds of these magnificent panicles of bloom, cannot be described. It is a free and constant bloomer, commencing when only a foot high; and like the Manettia, its flowers keep perfect a long time before fading. No more beautiful object can be seen than these two vines growing side by side, and mingling their profusion of bloom. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



SOLANUM JASMINOIDES

Double Petunias.

A few of the best double Petunias are well worthy of a place in every garden. We offer two of the best we have ever seen. They are very free bloomers, and are splendid either for pots or the garden, their large double fimbriated blossoms being exceedingly showy. 20c. each.

Lucy Longstreet, fine crimson, fringed and variegated with white, large and double and splendidly fimbriated.

Snowdrift, large double fimbriated flower of purest snowy whiteness; extra good.



DOUBLE PETUNIA



SMILAX.

Smilax.

A well-known and beautiful window vine which is grown mainly for its elegant foliage. It however blooms profusely, flowers being delicate white, very fragrant and followed by beautiful berries. Fine plants, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.

Chrysanthemum Storm Petrel.



Of dwarf, trailing growth, with finely cut, fern-like foliage which is very beautiful. The flowers are borne in great profusion at all times of the year; are large, very double and pure snow-white. As a pot plant it is superb, and always full of beautiful double blossoms. In the garden it blooms all summer and fall. Frosts do not hurt it and it is full of bloom long after all other flowers have been killed. Hence its name Storm Petrel. Fine plants for immediate blooming 20 cts. each.

CHRYSANTHEMUM
STORM PETREL.
NEW DWARF PERPETUAL
BLOOMING DOUBLE
WHITE FERN-LEAF
CHRYSANTHEMUM.



COLEUS.

Seven other most beautiful and distinct new varieties at 15c. each, 4 for 50c., 7 for 75c.

Lemon Verbena.

A splendid plant, which is greatly prized on account of its fragrant foliage. As a plant for the garden or for pots, it is equally valuable, its fine sprays of foliage with its delicious fragrance making it always desirable for bouquets, etc. See cut on page 67. Fine plants, 15c. each.

SEED.—Fine seed of Lemon Verbena, per pkt. 10c.



PELARGONIUM.

Pelargoniums.

These, better known as Lady Washington Geraniums, are the most beautiful of the Geranium tribe; flowers very large and of the most beautiful colors and markings. We have a magnificent variety, all of the finest large flowering sorts. They are superb, and highly prized by those who have grown them once. Culture same as ordinary Geraniums. A fine collection of best varieties; 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Mrs. Robert Sandford, this grand double white variety is one of the finest novelties of the year. The flower is of large size, well doubled, beautifully ruffled along the edges of the petals, and of glistening, snow white color. Its lasting qualities when cut are wonderful, and for a pot plant for Easter it is unsurpassed. 60c. each; 2 for \$1.

Marion, another grand novelty now offered for the first time. The same plant bears flowers of different colors. One cluster of bloom will be white marked with crimson, while another will be fine rose marked purple. Flowers large and very beautiful. 75c. each.

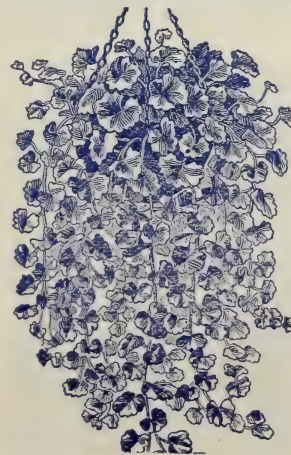
Eletteria Cardamomum.

A plant little known and hardly in cultivation in this country. Its foliage and general habit closely resembles that of a Canna, but rarely grows over two feet high. The leaves have a highly aromatic fragrance, which is very fine, especially for scenting clothes or working into bouquets or vases of flowers. The seeds are also highly aromatic, and when taken in the mouth have a pleasant taste, and add a delicious fragrance to the breath. The foliage of the plant is in itself highly ornamental, to say nothing of its fragrance, but when in bloom it is indeed charming. Flowers white, borne in spikes, closely resembling some of the most beautiful orchids, and last for weeks before fading. 25c. each.



Nepeta Glechoma.

A new trailing plant, with beautiful white and green leaves. The leaves also have a refreshing fragrance. It will no doubt become one of our most useful plants for festooning work such as drooping from hanging baskets, vases, fancy pots, etc., its graceful, rapid growth rendering it unequalled for this purpose, while we have no doubt it will also be largely used in cemeteries, as it is entirely hardy and we think more ornamental than almost anything in use. For trailing over stones or stumps, or in fact for any sort of decoration it is splendid. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.



NEPETA.

POT SHRUBBERY.

By "Pot Shrubbery" we mean such hard-wooded shrubby plants as the Azalea, Abutilon, Oleander, etc., which are not hardy, and are therefore grown mainly in pots and used for decorating the lawn or veranda in summer, and the window or conservatory during winter. They make up one of the most useful and ornamental classes of flowering plants in existence, and every lover of beautiful flowers should have a good collection of them. They grow freely at all times, and remain in the same pot or tub until they outgrow it. They may be moved about and set anywhere on the lawn or veranda, or taken anywhere for decorative purposes. If you have no window or conservatory to winter them, just set them in a warm cellar and they will come out in the spring bright and fresh, and ready for abundant growth and bloom after their long rest. They cost but little, are but little trouble in their care, and when once possessed are good for many years usefulness and beauty.



ABUTILON.

Abutilons, Perpetual.

A charming class of free-flowering plants which grow and blossom the whole year. Their flowers are large and bell-shaped, and of elegant colors. The foliage is very beautiful; in fact, if they did not bloom at all they would still be worthy of culture on account of their elegant leaves. They make a splendid show in the open ground during summer.

Rosaeflora, beautiful rose.

Snowstorm, beautiful pure white.

Gigantea Multiflora, a strong rank grower, producing in great numbers orange-brown flowers of gigantic size.

New Double, one of the grandest of all plants for house culture or for planting out during summer. It has beautiful maple-like leaves of a lovely green color, spotted and mottled with yellow, which gives the plant a most beautiful and odd appearance. The flowers are perfectly double, rich deep orange.

Good Gracious, the plant is a handsome free grower, the blooming shoots producing two flowers at the axil of each leaf, one of which is a beautiful orange-red, the other deep crimson. The two blossoms of different colors growing in pairs on the same plant is indeed a novel and beautiful feature.

Grandiflora, an enormous flower, and borne in great abundance. Fine deep yellow.

Leopard Eclipse, every day in the year its fine light orange colored, bell-shaped blossoms can be seen. Add to this its lovely light green leaves, which are thickly spotted with yellow, making it one of the most beautiful foliage plants you ever saw, and its graceful, weeping habit, makes it a plant of peculiar value. For hanging baskets, pots or vases it is superb, while in the garden it is one of the best and most attractive blooming and foliage plants that can be had. The plants we send out are already budded or blooming.

Price, 20c. each. Any 3 for 50c.; or the 7 for \$1.00.



DOUBLE

OLEANDER

Oleander.

An old and popular plant, well known and admired for its profusion of large double blossoms of delicate colors. The varieties here offered are greatly superior to the old ones usually met with, their flowers being extra large and double, and they commence blooming when very small. Their beauty will be a revelation to those who are acquainted with only the older sorts. Have one or two Oleanders in your collection of plants by all means.

Grandiflora, new, finest double white; extra large.

Clorlosum, brilliant carmine pink; very double.

Henry Mares, delicate rose, slightly bordered with bright rose; double and very fragrant; extra fine.

Prof. Durand, double white with yellow throat.

Kenwood, large double rose. Yellow, new and distinct.

Price, 40c. each; 3 for \$1; or the 6 for \$1.50.



Acacia Farnesiana.

A lovely shrub on account of its beautiful foliage and lovely yellow, sweet scented blossoms. It is one of the most charming pot plants that can be grown. Perfectly hardy in the South. 25c. each.



Double Pomegranates.

The double-flowering Pomegranates are little known to cultivation and seldom seen, being comparatively new. It is a plant of much beauty, producing at various times a profusion of blossoms which are as large and double as a Camellia. The plant is best wintered in a cellar, where it will drop its leaves and start afresh in the spring. They commence blooming when small, and continue growing until they are several feet in height, and are splendid decorative plants, their flowers possessing unusual beauty.

- Double White**, clear and pure.
 - Double Scarlet**, very bright.
 - Double Variegated**, very fine; red and white.
- 30 cents each, or the 3 for 75 cents.



AZALEA, INDICA.

Azalea, Indica.

A most beautiful shrub for house culture, growing quite large, but commences to bloom when very small. Its beautiful flowers are of various colors and markings. We have a fine collection of choice named sorts. All fine plants, ready to bloom. Price, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.



Chinese Hibiscus.

The Chinese Hibiscus blooms freely both summer and winter, and its enormous flowers of such flaming colors and borne so profusely makes this plant one of the most satisfactory it is possible to have. It is a plant which is always sure to delight the possessor, far beyond their expectations. The great flowers, some double and some single, are six inches across, while the colors are so intense and striking that they catch the eye when a long way off. They grow very freely and rapidly, and any one can succeed with them. As specimen plants for large pots they are unsurpassed. They can be wintered in the cellar or pit with safety, and if one does not care to grow them all winter, one should have two or three for summer display.

Gigantea, its flowers are of enormous size, often 8 to 10 inches across, opening flat, and of such a vivid crimson scarlet color that they can be seen for a long distance, like a flaming torch. It is hard to find anything among flowers more strikingly showy. A large specimen plant plunged in the ground here at Floral Park, together with a Brugmansia, was all the past summer a center of attraction.

- Collieri**, buff yellow, with crimson-scarlet base; very fine.
- Sub-Violacea**, bright crimson, tinted violet. Enormous flower.
- Versicolor**, large flower, beautifully striped crimson, rose, and white.
- Cooperi**, the leaves of this variety are beautifully variegated with three colors—rose, white and green. Flowers crimson; very beautiful.
- Minneatus**, enormous double flowers, brilliant vermilion scarlet. Perfectly grand.
- Auriantica**, large, double, orange-colored flowers; an early and profuse bloomer.
- Zebrina**, large, double flowers, edged and striped with creamy-yellow and white.

Price, 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents; the 8 for \$1.20.

Hibiscus Chrysantha.

(Hibiscus Abutilon.)

The full size, perfect shape, delicate texture and glorious color of the flower cannot be truly represented. It is a perpetual blooming plant, which, when very small, commences to bloom and continues to do so throughout the year, when grown in pots; and when planted in the garden they are a show every day all summer. Flowers five to six inches across, opening flat or saucer-shape, and of the clearest and brightest canary-yellow ever seen, with a black center. The flower has such a peculiar beauty, combined with its great size, that it catches every eye to a greater extent than most any other flower. The plant is said to be a hybrid between the Hibiscus and Abutilon. Its flowers are very like a Hibiscus (though much finer), while its habit of growth is unlike that of either the Hibiscus or Abutilon. We predict for this excellent plant a run of popularity which but few others have ever equaled. 25c. each.



Jasmine.

A most beautiful plant, producing flowers of exquisite beauty and fragrance. The blossoms clear and delicate, resembling a piece of wax. The fragrance is as powerful and delicious as that of any flower known to cultivation. In fact there is but few which can equal it.

Grandiflorum (or *Catalonian*), flowers star-shaped, pure white, and highly fragrant. It will bloom all winter long without once stopping, from October to May, and will bloom freely in the open ground in summer. 15c.

Grand Duke, beautiful shining foliage, and large double blossoms of a creamy-white color. Very delicate and fragrant. 25c. each.

Gardenia Florida—Cape Jasmine, large, double, pure white waxy blossoms of unexcelled beauty and fragrance. 25c. each.

Officinalis, fine clusters of lovely pure white star-shaped fragrant flowers. It is perfectly hardy in the open ground, and blooms all summer. A lovely plant. 20c.

Night Scented, lovely. 15c. each.

One plant each of the five sorts for 75 cents.

Clerodendron Balfouri.

A hard wood shrubby climbing plant of great beauty. No other plant in cultivation displays such colors of creamy-white and scarlet, and such profuse flowering. Young plants are often entirely covered with bloom. When only a foot high, as many as 20 to 30 flowers often can be counted, and this, of course, increases as the plants become old. I have in mind an engraving published in an English Horticultural paper, showing a plant with more than 400 flower bunches. As it requires no care to grow, every one can be sure of perfect success and a beautiful effect with but little trouble. Price, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.



Acalypha Tricolor.

A foliage plant which we can hardly expect many to buy without seeing it; but when seen it is sure to be wanted. It has large leaves, which are colored like the finest autumn foliage. The colors are dark brownish-red, light olive-green and intense scarlet. Mixed, blotched and variegated in an irregular manner, exactly like the finest specimens of autumn leaves. It is a grand ornamental plant. Give it a position in the hottest and most sunny spot you have on your veranda or lawn, and it will delight you. 25c. each.



Plumbago.

Little known, being quite new, but really one of the most pleasing pot plants one can have. In the South they are hardy and make a great show, blooming all summer. In pots they bloom both summer and winter, and on account of their large clusters of bloom and lovely clear colors they are very striking and beautiful.

Larparentae, a most beautiful shade of clear, dark blue; extra fine.

Capense Alba, like the above, but pure white.

Capensis Blue, lovely sky blue.

Price, 20 cents each; the three for 50 cents.



CLERODENDRON BALFOUR.



BRUGMANSIA ARBOREA.

Brugmansia Arborea.

This is one of those plants of which words fail to convey a true idea of its magnificence, and people who see it for the first time are bound to be delighted far beyond their expectations. It is a hard wooded plant, growing three to four feet high, and branching. It blooms at all times of the year, in a window or conservatory; or it can be cultivated in the garden during summer, and wintered in a cellar or pit. The flowers are drooping, bell-shaped, over a foot long, and eight or nine inches wide, of a creamy-white color, and very sweet. The striking beauty of a plant bearing a dozen or more of those gigantic flowers cannot be described. They must be seen to be appreciated. They bloom very freely, and it is not uncommon for a plant to have 20 to 30 blossoms open at once. They make magnificent lawn plants when plunged in the ground during summer; and the great fragrance of the blossoms can be detected for a long distance. It can be relied upon for a profusion of flowers at Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's. For church decoration at Easter, or other times, it has no superior. It is a very rapid grower, and thrives under all conditions. We do not know of a plant requiring less care and attention than this. It is absolutely sure to thrive and bloom freely, even when small. Plants small enough to go by mail make a very rapid growth, and will bloom in a short time. Price of fine plants, by mail, post-paid, 30c. each; 3 for 75c. Extra large, by express, \$1.00 and \$3.00 each.

Double Flowered, we have secured a limited stock of a double-flowered sort, which produces one flower growing out of the other. It is like the single in all other respects. It is grand. Strong plants, 50c. each.

SEED. We can supply seed of the single Brugmansia at 25c. per packet. It germinates quickly, and makes a rapid growth, blooming in about a year.

Hydrangeas.



HYDRANGEAS

The new sorts of pot Hydrangeas are a great improvement on the older ones. Indeed they are a plant which every one greatly admires on account of their soft, pleasing colors, and enormous panicles of bloom, which keep perfect for months, changing their colors several times. The following are the best:

Ramius Picta, a new sort for pot culture, which is simply grand. The flowers are pinkish blue in color, and borne in enormous panicles, which keep perfect a long time. New, and very rare.

Rosea, a splendid sort, bearing large panicles of beautiful rose-colored blossoms, which change to blue. It is a profuse bloomer, and an elegant pot plant.

Thos. Hogg, pure white, very large and fine.

Price, 20c. each, or the 3 for 50c.



Otaheite Orange.

A grand pot plant, and one of great beauty and novelty. It is a dwarf orange which grows, blooms and fruits freely in pots, even when only a foot or two high. The fruit is about one-half the size of ordinary oranges, and very sweet and delicious. The blossoms are produced in great abundance, delicate and beautiful in color, and rich in delicious perfume. As a pot plant this lovely dwarf orange is one of the most novel and beautiful that can be grown. It blooms most freely during winter, though it is likely to bloom at any and all times of year. With one or two pots of it any one can raise an abundance of the far-famed, delicate and fragrant orange blossoms. The plants we supply are strong and ready to bloom and fruit at once. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.



DOUBLE BRUGMANSIA.

Choice and Rare Fruits.

TO accommodate many of our customers who wish a few fruits, we have carefully prepared a brief list of varieties which will suit any person exactly, in any part of the country, and which we can send by mail, post-paid, at prices named; of course, if any one can receive them by express we can send larger ones that way at the same price. Of one thing our friends can be sure, and that is, we offer them only the *very best* varieties, those which have proved superior at all of the great nurseries, and which will do well in all parts of the country. It has cost us a great deal of trouble to gain this knowledge, of which our customers can reap the benefit. It is one thing to plant fruits, but quite a different one to know which of the many varieties are really the best. The fruits here offered, being young and thrifty, will make a very rapid growth and bear quickly. Good fruit is one of the greatest luxuries a family can have, and those who have a chance to grow them should spare no trouble or expense to secure a good supply of the best sorts. Nothing enhances the value of a cottage or farm so much as a good garden and good supply of fruits. Such a place usually finds a ready sale at a good price. We wish to call special attention to the new fruits we have recently added to our list. **When Fruit Trees or Shrubs are received before they can be planted, they can be safely kept for any length of time, packed in boxes of moist soil and stored in a cool cellar or shed. It is important to order fruit trees early.**

At prices named we send strong, robust young stock by mail, post-paid, but by express we can send much larger trees, especially Peaches, Cherries, Plums, etc.; Strawberries, Raspberries, Dewberries, Grapes, etc., are of course as well sent by mail as express, as far as size is concerned. Our fruit stock is all vigorous and healthy, and whether you have it sent by mail or express it will be sure to please you by its rapid and vigorous growth and early bearing.



The Best Strawberries.

The following varieties are the best known to us, and we think all that can be desired for both early and late. Our Strawberry Plants are extra fine, well grown, large, strong and vigorous, and will give great satisfaction.

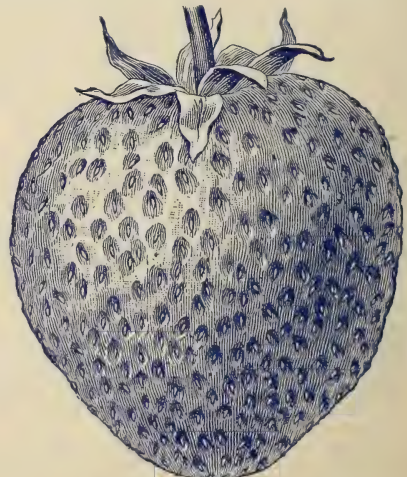
Childs', new last year. Its grand qualities are told when we say that it is the **largest and handsomest sort grown**, a free grower, robust, hardy, vigorous, and of unsurpassed quality. Little else need be said. Plant it and you will surely get the largest and handsomest berries you ever saw. They are enormous. Blossoms perfect. Fine plants, 50c. per dozen.

Lovett's Early, briefly, it is one of the very earliest, is the **most prolific bearer** known, is of **very large size and superb quality** and a rank grower, with a perfect blossom, succeeding equally well in heavy or light soil, and like *First Season* it gives a good crop of fruit the *first summer*. Fine vigorous plants, 50c. per doz.; \$2 per 100; \$15 per 1000.

First Season, it bears a good crop immediately after planting. This berry is rightly named as it **fruits at once**. In size they are among the largest, and in quality they are sweet and most delicious. We are satisfied that it must take first place, and is the sort which everybody must have above all others. Its season is late, and when planted with Lovett's Early, which is extra early, "Strawberry time" lasts for a long period. It is a self-fertilizing sort, as are also all other Strawberries we offer. Strong, vigorous plants, 50c. per dozen; \$2 per 100; \$15 per 1000.

Mineola, this berry has been grown on Long Island for seven or eight years, but has never before been offered to the public. It is a berry of exceptional good quality. The fruit is very large in size and exceedingly sweet and luscious in quality. It is probably the rankest, hardiest and most prolific variety yet introduced. The foliage is

of great size, vigorous and healthy. Fruit borne on strong stems, which stand erect, holding the berries up out of the dirt and sand. It is a fine exhibition berry and always takes first prize. The *Mayflower* will shortly publish a colored plate of it. Fine plants, \$1 per dozen; \$5 per 100.



STRAWBERRY MINEOLA.

Twelve plants each of these 4 best sorts, \$2.00.



NEW EVERBEARING RASPBERRY, EARHART.

Raspberries.

The Raspberry is one of the best and most profitable small fruits that can be grown. They succeed in any situation, even in waste places, along stone walls, etc. Under good cultivation they produce surprising results, and pay ten fold for the care bestowed upon them.

Earhart, of this wonderful new berry the introducer says: "The fruit is of large size, jet black, and good quality, the first crop ripening the last of June. About this time the first of the new canes begin to bloom, and ripen their fruit soon after, and continue to bloom and ripen fruit until frost, producing heavy crops as late as September and October. It is a strong grower with corrugated foliage of dark green color, and has never been known to "winter-kill." Our experience with this berry has been highly pleasing. One spring we set out 1,000 very small tip plants, which started at once into a strong growth and commenced fruiting in August and continued until frost, producing remarkably large fine berries in enormous clusters, as shown in the cut, which was made from a bearing cane in October. We were surprised to see any fruit at all the first summer on so small plants. It is certainly a perpetual bearer, and has all the good points claimed for it. It winters in an exposed position without a cane being killed. In fact, it is the hardest sort we know. This season the yield of fruit is marvelous. It commenced to ripen July first and bore enormously until frost. We consider it in all respects a highly valuable sort, on which too much praise cannot be bestowed. Every one speaks highly of it. We have reports of single canes bearing 400 berries, and that in September and October. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50.

Golden Queen, a new golden-yellow berry of great size productiveness and fine quality, rich, juicy and delicious. Vine a strong, rank grower; fruit extremely large and very beautiful, selling in market above all other sorts; exactly like Cuthbert, except in color. On account of its beautiful golden color and high flavor no garden is complete without this Queen of Raspberries. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 100 for \$4.00.

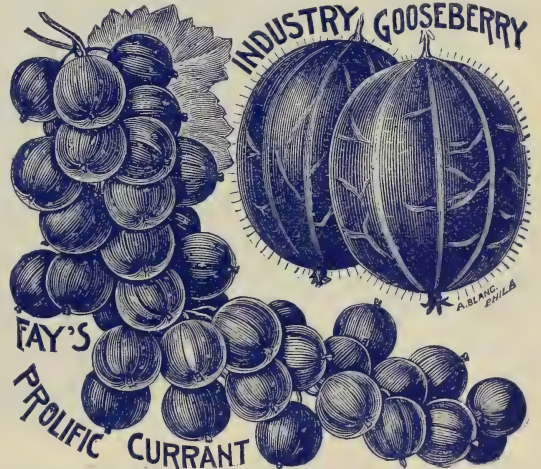
Cuthbert, a large red variety of splendid quality and great productiveness. Hardy and vigorous; this is the finest known red sort. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.; 100, \$2.50.

SPECIAL OFFER—For \$1 we will send five plants each of these three splendid Raspberries.



Gooseberry, Lancashire Red.

A new Scotch variety of great value, and is now offered for the first time in this country. The berries are the largest known, rich plum red and very sweet and delicious. The plant is a strong, healthy grower, entirely free from mildew, and a prodigious bearer. The fruit is almost entirely free from the stiff hairy growth which is so common on most of the best gooseberries. It is in every respect a splendid new fruit. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00.



Fay's Prolific Currant, a superb sort of recent introduction. It is large and fine flavored, brightest cherry red, and productive. The bushes are a perfect mass of long clusters of fruit. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Industry Gooseberry, like Fay's Currant it is the largest, most productive, and finest flavored of the older sorts. Dark cherry in color, very handsome, the bushes being smothered with fruit; vigorous and free from mildew. When ripe they are rich and sugary in flavor and look more like fine purple plums than they do like Gooseberries. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$2.00.

Floral Park Plums.

To the many good new fruits which we have introduced, we add a strain of Seedling Prunus Maritima, which will be known as Floral Park Plums. It is a fruit of great hardiness and vigor, prolific, and free from insect pests. The bushes attain a height of six feet, though they fruit freely when less than two feet in height. The fruit is round, rather larger than a large grape, with a small cherry-like pit. Color deep purplish red, and borne in the greatest abundance. The fruit is of fine flavor, never wormy, and fine to eat raw or cooked in any form. It makes the finest jelly of any fruit, while its yield is enormous, a few bushes giving bushels of fruit. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.



Childs' All-Summer Raspberry.

THIS wonderful Berry we purchased three years ago from Mrs. A. A. Stowe, of Idaho. Her plants were sent from California, but the stock came originally from Mexico. Its points of merit are many and startling: It is an ever-bearer, commencing to ripen its large berries in July and continues until killed by autumn frosts. The plants are strong and vigorous, growing three to five feet in height, standing erect without stakes or other support. Foliage very large and rank, dark green above and silvery white underneath. In hardiness nothing can surpass it, as it has never been injured in the severest climate. It also endures the heat of tropical summers, and fruits well where all other Raspberries fail. It is immensely prolific, the berries being of great size and dark red in color; quality extra fine. Mrs. Stowe says: "It has fruited for five years and borne a full crop each year, no matter how hot the weather. 100 to 105 in the shade is not uncommon here. It gives a full crop where other varieties do not stand the excessive heat, and I think you will find it particularly valuable for your Southern trade, where other sorts do not stand. Our plot is 45 feet in length by 15 feet in width, besides a single row 115 feet long. From this plot and the row we picked last year fully 11 bushels of berries. Is not that a good yield? For five years the yield has been very uniform. In 1889 the yield during July was 244 boxes; August, 175 boxes; September, 27 boxes, an abundance of green fruit being killed by frost September 25th. In many sections where the season is long enough its October crop is the largest." We have a large stock of this grand berry which we have been working up for the last three years, and can offer it very low for so valuable a novelty.

PRICE, fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.

Mrs. Stowe recommends a heavy damp soil for the All-Summer Raspberry, and says that it can be seen at its very best only when grown in a damp soil. On very dry ground it is not nearly as fruitful as on moist soil.



HIRAM EVER-BEARING RASPBERRY.

The Hiram Raspberry.

This is a remarkable berry, which originated in Oswego county, New York, some years ago, and is now offered for sale for the first time. In size and productiveness it probably has not an equal, and it is a true ever-bearer, producing its fruit from July until frost. The berries are of mammoth size, beautiful in form and color, being a rich, deep red. It is not a tall grower but remarkably vigorous, the foliage being of great size and a rich, healthy green color. Flavor, first-class. We have watched this berry with great interest for several years and are free to say that it is the grandest variety in cultivation to-day. The size and beauty of the fruit, productiveness and vigor places it at once at the very head of the list. The following testimonials are furnished by people who have known it for some time.

PRICE.—Strong plants, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00; 7 for \$2.00; 12 for \$3.00.

TESTIMONIALS ON THE HIRAM.

E. A. Pearee, North Hannibal, N. Y., says: "I have the Hiram Raspberry growing on my place, and have observed it on the grounds of the originator for the past five years and find it perfectly hardy, besides being the finest and largest berry I ever saw. It is also a very firm berry, and adheres well to the stem, and it is exceedingly prolific."

Jno. E. Fox, Towanda, Pa., says: "The Hiram Raspberries are perfectly hardy. They do not winter-kill any more than a wild Blackberry along the fences and hedges. They are full of berries now (July 13th). Fine in appearance, large in size and luscious in quality. You have one of the very finest berries yet introduced."

D. Derbyshire & Co., Brockville, Ont., say: "The Hiram plants that we got from you were very fine and exactly suited to our climate; fruit is perfectly beautiful."

Rufus Day, Postmaster at North Hannibal, N. Y., says: "I am familiar with the Hiram berry, having seen it growing on the grounds of the originator, for the past five years. The plants are perfectly hardy and very productive. The berries are much the largest of any known to me, and are of excellent quality, unusually firm, and of bright, attractive color."

Frank Winchell, State Inspector of Customs at Oswego, N. Y., says: "I have observed the Hiram Raspberry growing on the grounds of the originator for the past five years and am able to say it is perfectly hardy, producing enormous crops of the largest berries I ever saw. They are of the finest quality and attractive color."

H. E. Van Deman, U. S. Pomologist, Washington, D.C., August 2, 1890, says: "I am surprised to see such a succession of green and ripe fruit upon the branches sent. If this is characteristic of the Hiram berry during the fruiting season, and if the season is as long as this would signify, it is, indeed, a most valuable acquisition among berries. The fruit is large, firm, and of fine flavor." July 23, 1891: "I am pleased with the Hiram berry; pleased to see that it continues to hold up in size and to perfect its load of fruit." July 20, 1892: "This berry impresses me even more favorably than last year. In size and quality it leaves little to be desired."



Muskingum Raspberry.

A new berry of great value. It is a Cap variety bearing an enormous purple-red berry, the juice of which is of the richest ruby color. It is enormously prolific, notwithstanding its large size, and on account of its rich color and flavor it is particularly valuable for canning and preserving. It has more flesh to the quantity of seed than any berry except the Wineberry. It is perfectly hardy and a strong, robust grower. We have grown it two years and are so well pleased with it that we cannot say enough in its favor. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.

15 Rare Raspberries for \$2.00.

AS FOLLOWS:

- 3 HIRAM.
- 3 MUSKINGUM.
- 3 ALL SUMMER.
- 3 EARHART.
- 3 GOLDEN QUEEN.

These are all new and extra fine sorts, which will make a magnificent collection. All, by mail, post-paid, for \$2.00.



Eleagnus Longipes.

This is an entirely new fruit from Japan and unlike any other in cultivation. The trees are shrubby and do not grow over five or six feet high, and bear freely when less than two feet in height, like currant bushes. The fruit is borne in great quantity the whole length of the branches, and is oblong in shape and much the color of a dark red cherry, and has a small pit. In taste they are unlike any other fruit, rich, juicy, sharp and sprightly; much more luscious than any cherry. Every one who tastes it is enthusiastic over its fine quality. It ripens in July and August. The bush is hardy and robust in all parts of the country. It is a fruit which will become as popular as the strawberry. Price, 50c. each.



BLACKBERRY, ERIE.

Two Fine Blackberries.

Erie, this is a comparatively new sort, and decidedly the best for general crop of all blackberries except our Everbearing Tree. It is of a rather dwarf habit, and very desirable on that account. The fruit is borne very abundantly, the berries being enormous in size and perfect in shape. It has very small seeds and by far the sweetest, most melting and delicious flavor of all Blackberries except the Tree. Do not plant any of the older sorts if you can get Erie. It is twice as good as Lawton, Kittatinny, Wilson or any of them. Price of fine robust bushes 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 8 for \$1.00; 20 for \$2.00.

Early Harvest, the earliest, and in every way a grand good berry. It often grows eight feet or more in height, and is a perfect mass of fruit from top to bottom. One cane with us the past summer bore one-half bushel of fruit. Berries of good size, sweet and ripens with the Raspberry; far ahead of any other Blackberry. On account of its extreme earliness and other good qualities it should be in every garden. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00; 30 for \$2.00.

New Currant, Ruby.



A most valuable fruit novelty, now offered for the first time. It originated in Ulster County, N. Y. Its growth is strong, leaves large but less leathery than Fay's or Cherry. The fruit is very large, borne in enormous clusters, and of the most beautiful ruby scarlet color, glossy and beautiful beyond description. Twenty to thirty berries grow on a raceme, yet leaving room near the wood to make picking easily done without bruising the fruit; quality, extra fine; being a mild acid of exceptionally high flavor. It is a greater and surer bearer than any Currant grown, and is being planted where Fay's and other sorts have been pulled out. In this locality it easily produces 3 to 4 times as much fruit as Fay's or Cherry, and fruit is much finer in every respect. Mr. N. Hallock, the well-known fruit grower, says: "I have grown Ruby Currant for 4 years. Bushes 3 years set yielded the past season 5 pounds fine fruit, while Fay's Prolific in some lots have been entire failures. Of the seven or eight kinds I grow, Ruby yields double the quantity of fruit of any of them." See colored plate in January MAYFLOWER. Price, fine thrifty bushes, 35c. each, 2 for 60c., 5 for \$1.25, 12 for \$2.50.

Downing's Everbearing Mulberry.



The beauty of this as a lawn or street tree is quite enough to commend it, and it also yields an abundant supply of its large refreshing berries for over three months of the year. Bear in mind also it bears all the season, and it begins bearing when only a few feet in height. The late Rev. Henry Ward Beecher said: "I regard it as an indispensable addition to every fruit garden; and I speak what I think when I say I had rather have one of Downing's Everbearing Mulberries than a bed of strawberries." Price 60 cts. each; 2 for \$1.00.



New Dwarf Juneberry.

The Juneberry is a fruit that has come to stay. We refer to the new dwarf variety recently introduced from Alaska. Coming from such a cold climate there is, of course, no question as to its perfect hardiness. It is a quick grower, forming dense clumps of bushes which seldom grow higher than a man's head. They bloom and bear fruit when very small, not over a foot in height. The berries are of fair size, about like ordinary cherries, dark purple in color, and exceedingly sweet and delicate in taste. It is one of the finest fruits to eat raw that ever grew. After the berry is fully ripe it will keep on the bush in perfect condition for two weeks or more without decaying or dropping. Aside from its value as a fruit, it is one of the most showy flowering shrubs that can be had. It blooms very early in spring, before the leaves start, and so numerous are the flowers that the whole bush is clothed in a robe of snowy whiteness. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.



QUINCE, MEECH'S PROLIFIC.

Quince, Meech's Prolific.

This wonderful fruit often attains a growth of five feet or more in the first year from cutting, continuing to make a like vigorous growth as they progress; one made twenty-nine feet of wood the second year. They are remarkable for their early and regular bearing, and for their wonderful productiveness, sometimes bearing when only two years old.

The fruit also is remarkable for its rare combination of beauty of form and color, size, fragrance and flavor. It is shaped like a handsome pear, with a smooth, fine skin, of a bright orange yellow, and very large, averaging under good culture, 12 to 15 ounces each. Flesh of the most delightful fragrance and delicious flavor, a basket of this fruit fully ripe, perfuming a large room with its delicate aroma. Its cooking qualities are unsurpassed, being as tender as a peach and quite free from the hard lumps so objectionable in many other varieties. Its beauty of form and color, and holding well its leaves until late in the autumn, renders the tree an attractive ornament to the home grounds, and the rich, golden hue of an orchard in bearing, reminds one of an orange grove in the south. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.

The Buffalo Berry. (*Shepherdia*.)



BUFFALO BERRY.

It is a tree-like shrub, attaining a height of 10 feet when full grown; of compact, symmetrical habit. Leaves numerous and ivory white; it would be an ornament in any yard for its foliage alone, but when laden with its dense, rich clusters of crimson fruit from early summer, through the fall and *entire winter*, it is a sight. The fruit is round, smooth and glossy, resembling in size, form and color, the cultivated red currant. Our illustration shows a cluster, *natural size*. The fruit forms in clusters to the very tips of the branches. It is a constant and prolific bearer, entirely hardy, having endured 60 degrees below zero, and borne fruit the following summer. Before being touched by frost it is very acid; freezing subdues it, until it becomes so rich and palatable that as a dessert fruit in mid-winter it is fine. While for jellies it is claimed by epicures to equal in flavor the famous Guava jellies. Leave the berries on the bushes and pick them during the winter as wanted. *It is the only fruit for winter gathering.* As some bushes produce *pistillate* and others *staminate* flowers, one bush growing alone will never fruit. At least three should be planted together about 6 feet apart. Therefore we will not offer a less number than three. Price of three fine bushes 75c; 7 for \$1.50.

3 GRAND NEW GRAPES.



Grapes.

We offer eleven sorts of this delicious fruit, which for fine quality, hardiness, vigor and freedom from mildew in all parts of the country, cannot be surpassed. They will succeed with anyone in any part of the country. There is no fruit that yields more prompt and generous returns, and none that responds more kindly to a little timely care and attention than the grape. Everybody that has a few feet of vacant ground, or a bare wall, fence or out-building, can plant a few grape vines, and have annual returns of the most noble and delicious fruit under the sun. Owners of city lots or small places in the country, with a little care, need never be without abundance of grapes in their season. You can do no more sensible or profitable thing for the comfort and delight of yourself and family, than to plant and take care of a few grape vines.

- **Brighton**, an early sort of the most delicious quality; bunches large, of beautiful red color; vine hardy and vigorous; a grand sort. 25c. each; \$2 per dozen.
- **Niagara**, as hardy, vigorous and prolific as the Concord and probably the best of all white grapes. Flavor sweet and delicious, and bunches large, borne in great quantity; ripens early. This grape has been more widely advertised and sold than any other sort. 30c. each; \$3 per dozen.
- **Golden Pocklington**, a delicious, sweet grape, of a beautiful yellowish color; early, hardy and vigorous. A grand sort of recent introduction. 25c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.
- **Moore's Early**, vine even more rugged than its parent Concord; fruit much larger in berry, but as a rule not so large in bunch; quality almost identical, and it ripens full two weeks earlier; a very valuable sort, especially north, as it is so early. 25c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.
- **Empire State**, a remarkable grape, and destined to become exceedingly popular. The vine is a strong grower, extremely hardy, free from mildew, and a heavy bearer. Clusters large, berries medium, nearly round, white with a slight tinge of yellow, also a heavy white bloom; tender,

juicy, sweet, rich. Ripens with Moore's Early, and is a remarkably good keeper. 30c. each; \$3 per dozen.

■ **Vergennes**, berries large, holding firmly to the stem, light amber; rich and delicious. Is an excellent late keeper. 20c. each; \$2 per dozen.

■ **Wyoming Red**, vine very hardy, healthy and robust, with thick, leathery foliage; color of berry similar to Delaware, but brighter, being one of the most beautiful of the amber or red grapes, and in size nearly double that of Delaware; flesh tender, juicy, sweet, with a strong native aroma; ripens before Delaware, and is a valuable market grape. 20c. each; \$2 per dozen.

■ **Worden**, a splendid large grape of the Concord type, but earlier, larger in bunch and berry, and of decidedly better quality; vine harder than that old standby, and every way as healthy. 20c. each; \$2 per dozen.

Special Offer.—We will send one nice vine of each of the above eight sorts for \$1.00.

3 Grand New Early Grapes.

Here we offer a new white, black and red grape, which in size, earliness and delicious quality are superior to most other sorts.

■ **Moyer**, extra early, ripening three weeks ahead of Concord. Color deep bright red, and sweeter than Delaware, a sort which it sometimes resembles. Perfectly hardy, having originated in Canada, very healthy, vigorous and productive. Pulp juicy and tender to the center. This grand sort cannot be too highly recommended. 30c. each; \$3 per dozen.

■ **Eaton**, an enormous grape growing as large as plums, and in bunches weighing from one to two pounds. Color black with a heavy blue bloom. Vine very tough, healthy, and vigorous, with enormous leaves. Pulp very tender, juicy and sweet, being superior to Concord and ripens earlier, very hardy and enormously productive. Undoubtedly the finest as well as the largest black grape. 50c. each.

■ **Moore's Diamond**, the finest of all white grapes, and ripens the last of August. Vine hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous and free from mildew. Berries large, beautiful white, tinged with yellow, and of the most delicious quality, having very few seeds and a pulp which seems to melt in the mouth like snow. Do not fail to plant this delicious sort. 30c. each; \$3 per dozen.

Special Offer.—For only 75c. we will send one fine vine each of above three new early grapes.



Dewberries.

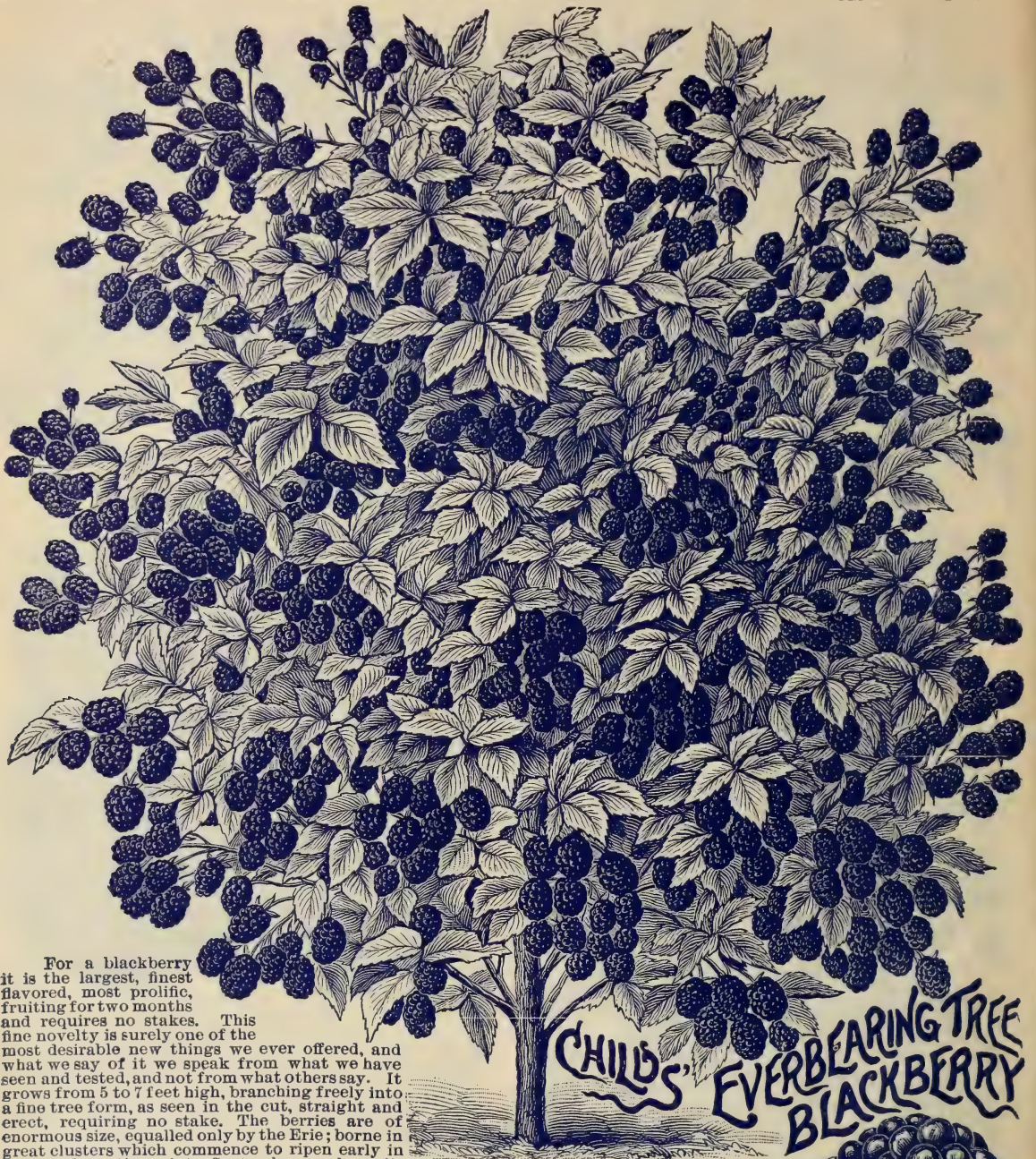
In this new fruit (which might be called a Climbing Blackberry) we have the most delicious of all berries, and one of the most ornamental of all climbing vines. They should be trained on a trellis or tied to a stake like grape vines, and in the spring they produce great masses of large, pure white, sweet-scented flowers, which are followed by clusters of delicious fruit, larger, richer, and far more prolific than Blackberries. Very juicy, and sweet to the core. The fruit is borne in great quantity, and is admitted by all to be the finest of all berries. When made into wine it gives a gentle stimulant, which, for invalids, is unequalled, the flavor of the wine being as superior as the flavor of the fruit. It is perfectly hardy, and does not sucker from the roots, but is increased from the tips, like Blackcap Raspberries. Many wild and worthless plants of Dewberry have been sold for Mammoth and Lucretia. Our stock is pure and genuine.

Mammoth, large and fine. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.00.

Lucretia, a new sort, of immense size and delicious quality. Berries often two and one-half inches in length, and borne in great clusters. Very juicy and sweet. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00.

Crystal White, a new sort, the berries of which are crystal white in color, large, juicy, sweet and rich in flavor. A grand good novelty. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

One each of the three sorts, 40c.



For a blackberry it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months and requires no stakes. This fine novelty is surely one of the most desirable new things we ever offered, and what we say of it we speak from what we have seen and tested, and not from what others say. It grows from 5 to 7 feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, as seen in the cut, straight and erect, requiring no stake. The berries are of enormous size, equalled only by the Erie; borne in great clusters which commence to ripen early in July and continue into September, making its fruiting period fully two months or more. The finest Blackberries we ever ate we picked about September first from some of these plants which had been ripening fruit since July 8th. They are exceedingly sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth without a particle of hard core. Its delicate flavor, great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing and perfect hardiness in the coldest parts of the country, make it the most valuable of all berries for family use. Some of our customers who bought it last spring report that the plants fruited last summer, and the berries proved to be the largest and finest ever seen, and that the symmetrical branching of the plants makes them perfect little trees.

PRICE—First quality, large and strong, 40c. each; 3 for \$1; 7 for \$2.

Mr. E. S. Black, Monmouth Co., N. J., August 14th, 1889, says: "I am not surprised to hear of the enormous sale your Tree Blackberry is having. When it was growing here on the place of which I am foreman, visitors who saw it have offered me \$5 each for one or more plants of it. Its straight, stout and symmetrical growth and loads of large and most luscious berries borne for so long a period, place it at the head of all Blackberries for family use."

Mrs. C. A. Barton, Santa Ana, Cal., says: "Received the Wineberry and Tree Currant; they are growing finely. If they do as well as your Tree Blackberry I shall be more than pleased with them. Have taken up all other Blackberries, as we want nothing but the Tree."





CRANDALL. TREE-CURRENT.

The Great Crandall Tree Currant.

A VERY important new fruit. It attains a height of seven to nine feet, branching freely, shoots often growing four or five feet in one season. It bears an enormous crop every year of large black fruit the size of a grape, which are in quality entirely unlike any other black currant, as it has none of the odor or disagreeable flavor common to black sorts. On the contrary, its quality is very fine indeed, and is not excelled for cooking in any form, either for pies, jam or jelly. Its flavor is that of the Sweet Currant, combined with the acid of the Cherry Currant. It commences to bear the second year from cuttings, and will yield a big crop in proportion to its size. It begins to ripen the middle of July and continues to the middle of August. Fruit hangs to the branches for a long time after ripening. The currant worm does not infest this sort, and it is, in fact, entirely exempt from all insect ravages. It is perfectly hardy, and will stand the most severe climate without a particle of injury in any respect. Price of strong, healthy plants, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

The United States Agricultural Report for 1889, contains a fine colored plate of the Crandall, and among other things says of it: "It is an enormous bearer, the fruit being large, fully one-half inch in diameter. Its quality, raw, is superior to any of the European Black Currants, having no strong odor or unpleasant taste. It is well adapted for sauces, pies, jellies, etc. It is never attacked by the currant worm, or other insects, and is perfectly hardy."



IDAHO PEAR.

Pears.

Idaho, a most marvelous new fruit, size enormous, weighing 20 to 25 ounces; color yellowish, and richest quality, without seed or core. It is a seedling raised in Idaho and fruited the fourth year from seed. Its great size, luscious quality and phenomenal bearing qualities, even when trees are very small, has brought it into great prominence, and most of the stock is controlled by a corporation known as the Idaho Pear Co. Everything claimed for it has been more than realized, and the Idaho is the pear to plant above any other. If you have room for only one tree, let it be an Idaho pear. It is hardy and vigorous, flourishing alike in hot and cold climates, and is truly the great fruit of the future. Fine, vigorous young trees of genuine stock, 60c. each; 3 for \$1.50.

Vermont Beauty, this pear is undoubtedly one of the few which will soon be known throughout the whole country, by the demand for its choice and beautiful fruit for use on the table and other purposes. It is a seedling pear, which was found on Grand Island, Lake Champlain. This proves its hardiness, and, in addition to this, it is a free grower, an abundant and annual bearer. The fruit ripens a little later than the Seckel, much exceeds that variety in size and beauty, and compares very favorably with it in quality. In form the fruit is of full medium size, obovate, yellow, and covered on the sunny side with a bright carmine red, making it indeed a beauty. The flesh is rich, juicy, aromatic, best. It cannot do otherwise than stand at the head of our fall pears. 60c. each; 2 for \$1.



VERMONT BEAUTY.



CHAMPION PEACH.

Peaches.

The Peach is such a rapid grower that trees small enough to go by mail bear well in three years. Small trees cost the buyer so little that there is no reason why every home should not be abundantly supplied with this delicious fruit. Plant a few of these choice varieties this spring. They are all new and wonderfully fine.

Champion, a new sort of great merit; size large, measuring often 10 inches in circumference. Flavor delicious, sweet, rich and juicy, surpassing all other early varieties. Color creamy-white with red cheek, very striking and handsome in appearance; season very early. The great feature of this peach, however, is its certainty to produce a good crop every year, even when all others fail. It is a perfect free-stone, very hardy, vigorous and productive.

Illison, a strong, healthy tree, exempt from disease, and wonderfully prolific, bearing a good crop every year like champion. Tree as hardy as an oak and the strongest growing peach known. Fruit very large, handsome, of high flavor, rich and juicy.

Lemon Free, the introducers say of it: "The name is very appropriate, as it is almost lemon shape, being longer than broad, pointed at the apex, color a pale lemon color when ripe. It is of large size, the finest specimens measuring over 13 inches in circumference, of excellent quality, ripens after the Late Crawford, is immensely productive, and will become one of the leading varieties."

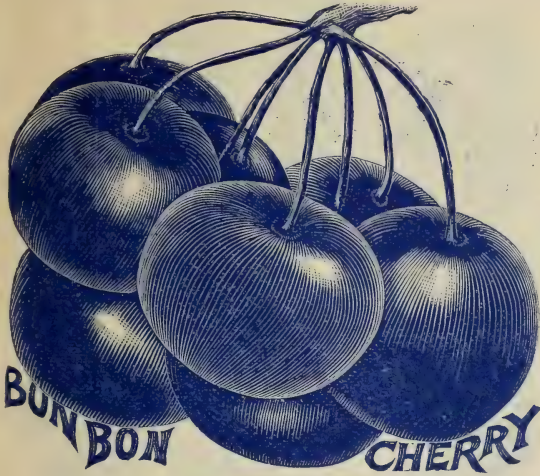
Good, a white Peach of large size. Flesh juicy, sweet, melting and of delicious flavor. A very reliable and choice sort, being hardy and yielding when many others fail.

Excelsior, originated in Mass. and is a very hardy sort. In size the tree is rather dwarf and drooping. Remarkable for beautiful color, being bright yellow with crimson cheek. In size it is medium to large; quality first-class, rich in fine flavors and fragrant. This is one of the most valuable of all new peaches.

Price of above fine new peaches, 20c. each; \$1.50 per dozen; the 5 sorts for 75c.

Nectarine.

Early Newington, the Nectarine is a sort of a smooth-skinned peach, very soft, juicy, rich and luscious. This is one of the best and early sort, of high flavor, surpassing peaches. Trees bear when young. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.



New Gherry, Bon Bon.

The cherry is the first fruit to ripen each season and is always valued highly. This new sort is decidedly different from anything before known. It is very early, of enormous size and rich, dark red in color. It is the most profuse bearer, and a sure cropper every year, the owner of the original tree never having known it to fail to produce a good crop each year, and the tree is now over 30 years old. It is fine flavored, juicy and luscious. It is a splendid shipper and always brings the highest price in the market. It is a fact that this cherry is never wormy, although no one knows how to account for it. The owner claims that a wormy fruit has never yet been found. This makes it at once twice as valuable as any other, on this account alone. Add to this its extreme earliness, great size, beauty and luscious quality, and its certainty to produce a good crop every year, and we have in the Bon Bon Cherry a fruit novelty of wonderful value. Fine young trees, 75c. each; 3 for \$2.

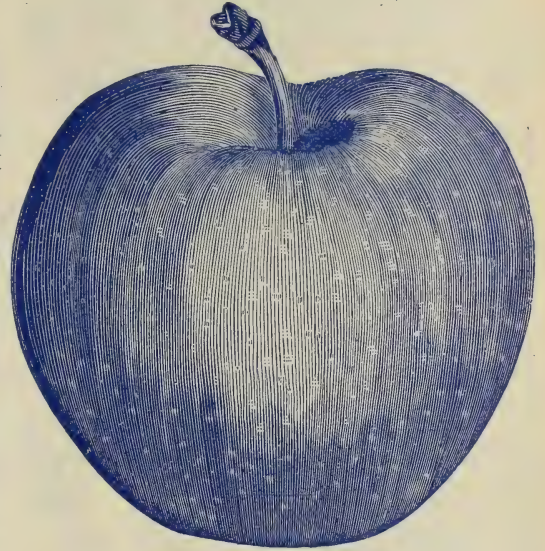


PRUNUS SIMONI.

Prunus Simoni.

This new Plum is called the "King of Fruits," and is believed to be the most valuable new fruit introduced in many years. It is a native of Northern China, and is much hardier than any peach, and is as hardy as the leading apples, having stood without injury in Iowa 30 to 40 degrees below zero.

It forms a small tree, with quite large, long, oval, elliptical leaves, of a dark, shining green. Its flowers are small, white, and open in early spring. Its fruits are very pretty and large, brick red or dark cinnabar color. The flesh shows a fine apricot yellow, is firm, and has a peculiar aromatic flavor not found in the plums we cultivate, and equalled only by the nectarine. This grand fruit should be planted by every one who has a rod of ground. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.



Superb New Apples.

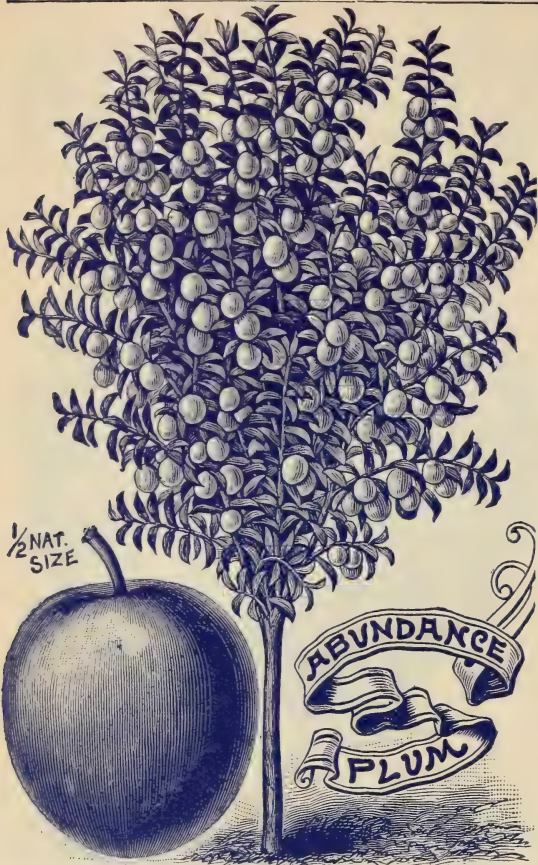
There are lots of good apples, trees of which can be bought at a trifling cost, and we would not attempt to offer these if they were not very extraordinary sorts. Every one who fancies good apples will, sooner or later, plant these kinds, and the sooner they do it the better, if only to raise a few grafts.

Ruby Gem, an exceedingly beautiful apple of medium size and high quality, the most brilliant red imaginable, of perfect form, ripening in early autumn. The apples are about the size of large goose eggs, and every one as fair and perfect as though moulded of wax. The tree is a heavy bearer; the flesh tender, juicy and of delicious, pleasant, sub-acid quality; the color is the most brilliant red, and as shiny as though it had been varnished. The tree is a strong grower, an early bearer, as well as an abundant one. There is not a more valuable sort in existence. Strong 1-year trees, the largest to be had, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.

Glowing Coal, in three important respects this is a remarkable sort, viz.: large size, great beauty, and superb quality. Fruit enormous in size, and extra fine, mild, sub-acid, ripening early in September. One-half of the apple is a bright shining red, while the other half is intense scarlet, and as they hang on the tree, the enormous fruit can be seen for a long distance, like a glowing coal. Tree a fine grower, great and early bearer. This is going to become the finest of all apples for market, its great beauty, as well as its unexcelled quality. Strong 1-year trees, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.

Martha Crab. Crabs are now being planted as ornamental lawn trees. When in bloom in May they are very beautiful, and when loaded with their showy fruit they are indeed ornamental. They bloom and bear abundantly when very small, and are, indeed, objects of great beauty, to say nothing of their fruit, which is unsurpassed for canning, preserving, jellies and sauce. Their ornamental and useful qualities combined make them doubly desirable for planting in any situation. This is a new crab raised by P. M. Gideon, of Minnesota. "A rapid, stiff grower, perfect pyramid in tree; a great bearer of the most beautiful fruit; a bright glossy yellow, shaded with light, bright red; a mild, clear tart, surpassing all other crabs we ever grew for all culinary purposes, and fair to eat from hand. It bears profusely when very small." Fine 1-year trees, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.

SPECIAL OFFER. For 75c. we will send one each of these 3 splendid trees.



1/2 NAT. SIZE

ABUNDANCE
PLUM

Two Curculio-Proof Plums.

The great drawback to plum culture has been the curculio which destroys the fruit to a great extent. Therefore, these new sorts will be greatly welcomed and universally planted, for they are almost entirely free from the ravages of this insect. But this is not their only good quality, for they are large, luscious, beautiful, and abundant bearers, often coming into bearing the next summer after planting.

Abundance, a remarkable fruit, and unlike any other plum. Its propensities for early bearing are such that it loads in the nursery row, and we have seen little one-year-old trees hardly two feet high, white with bloom, and set heavily with large fine plums. It bears abundantly every year; the fruit is a very beautiful amber, turning to a bright cherry color, with a delicate white bloom, and highly perfumed. Flesh light yellow, juicy, and of a delicious sweetness indescribable. It is enormously prolific, and ripens early in August. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.

Pottawattamie, a perfectly curculio-proof sort, and an immense early and annual bearer. Fruit yellow, overspread with pink. Flesh golden-yellow, luscious and beautiful; ripens in July. A magnificent early sort. 40c. each.

New Japan Plums.

These grand new Plums come in bearing at the age of two or three years, blossoms often appearing the first year. Fruit very large, often weighing over six ounces, with very small pit. Very attractive, fine quality, melting, rich and juicy, and enormous bearers. Wherever these Plums have grown and fruited they have created a great sensation by their enormous size, fine quality and great productiveness.

Kelsey, rich yellow overspread with crimson, large and fine.

Botan, large, rich purple in color; medium early.

Ogon, golden yellow, very early, large and sweet, and an enormous bearer.

Satsuma or Blood, large, skin dark purple and red, with blue bloom; globular, with sharp point; flesh firm, juicy, dark red or blood color, well flavored; pit small. Ripens about three weeks before Kelsey.

Burbank, a grand variety; in fact it is one of the very finest plums that ever fruited.

Price 25c. each; the 5 for \$1.00.



1/2 SIZE

APRICOT, NEW RUSSIAN.

Apricot, New Russian.

This is a grand new fruit, and a fine substitute for the peach in a cold climate. It is extremely hardy, having flourished as far north as Siberia, enduring a temperature of 40 degrees below zero with impunity, exempt from disease and ravages of insects; adapts itself to all soils, and is apparently as reliable in bearing as the apple. The tree comes into bearing in two or three years, is highly ornamental, with dark, livid green foliage and beautiful blossoms. The fruit is large, golden yellow, handsome, sweet, and of best quality—selling at high prices in market. It is a good shipper, and keeps a long time after being picked. We cannot speak too highly of it. It is such a reliable fruiter on any soil and in any climate that it is bound to become one of the most popular fruits, and will, especially in cold climates, take the place of the peach. The various varieties ripen from June to Sept.

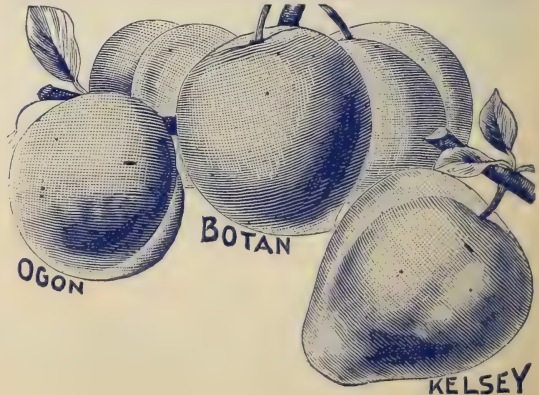
Cibb, medium size, yellow, sub-acid, rich, juicy, ripens June 20th. The best early sort, ripening with the Strawberry.

Alexander, large to very large, yellow with red cheek; slightly acid; rich and luscious; ripens July 15th.

J. L. Budd, large size, white with red cheek; sweet, juicy, extra fine; ripens August 1st.

New Chinese Apricot, Shense. Prof. Budd says that "in parts of Shense and Mongolia an Apricot is grown that reproduced itself from pits, and is as fine in growth, foliage and fruit as the Apricots he had seen in England and France. I secured some pits; only one grew, from which came the Shense. This season I am more convinced than ever of its value. Tree a free, vigorous grower, exceedingly hardy and productive, bearing when very young. Fruit large, yellow, with red cheek, good quality, freestone."

Price of above 4 fine Apricots, 35c. each; 2 for 60c.; 4 for \$1.



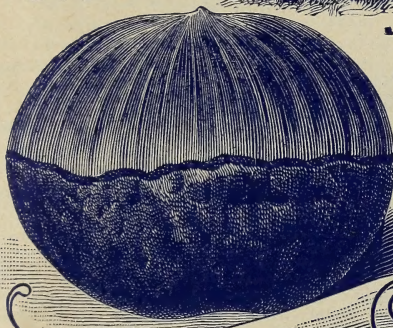
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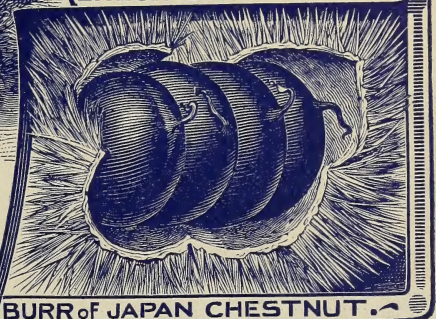
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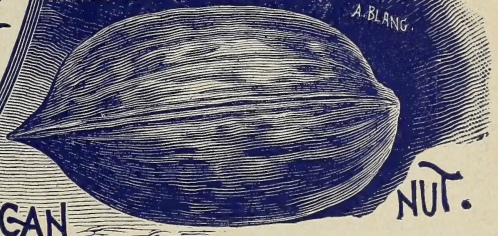
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CHESTNUT



KENTISH COB FILBERT



BURR OF JAPAN CHESTNUT.



PECAN

NUT.

CHOICE NUTS.

The planting of nut-producing trees may appear to many to be rather foolish. It appears so only because you have never thought of it before. See the fine prices which all choice nuts bring. In comparison to apples or peaches, the nut trees are by far the most profitable. Then, again, would not a few choice nut trees or bushes be a nice thing on your place? The great Japan Chestnut bears freely when only three or four feet high; so do the Filberts. A few such trees are as desirable as any fruit.

Chestnut, Japan Giant. A grand, new Chestnut, which commences to bear when but two or three years old, often producing a large crop as they stand in the nursery rows; and we have seen burrs containing from four to seven large, perfect nuts. The size of the nuts is about four times larger than the wild chestnut, and it is a tree which everyone should plant. They usually commence bearing when only three feet high. The nuts are very fine, and sell for a high price. Fine, thrifty trees, 60c. each; 2 for \$1.

Filbert, Kentish Cob. This the largest and finest of all Filberts, and is a most desirable nut. The bushes are low and occupy but little room, and can be planted in any out-of-the-way place, where they produce, annually, large crops of the choicest nuts. They commence bearing the next year after planting, and the bushes grow and increase rapidly. The Kentish Cob is one of the choicest, scarcest, highest-priced, and most delicious of all nuts. Plant a few by all means. They are sure to do well, and bear in a year or two. 30c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.

Pecan, Hardy Prolific. This nut, so well known and highly prized by all, is of the easiest culture, the tree being of sturdy, lofty growth, and very prolific. Many suppose it is not hardy North, which is entirely erroneous. The shell is very thin, the kernel sweet and delicious. This is a very superior variety—large, hardy, and exceptionally thin shelled and prolific. Small trees, 20c. each; 6 for \$1.



JAPAN WALNUT

Japan Walnut. The leaves are of immense size, and the nuts, which are produced in abundance, grow in clusters of fifteen or twenty; have a shell thicker than the English walnut, but not so thick as the black walnut. The meat is sweet; of the very best quality; flavor like butternut, but less oily, and much superior. The trees grow with great vigor, assuming a handsome form; mature early, bear young, and are more regular and productive than the English walnut. 50c. each.

One each of these 4 fine nuts for \$1.40.

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